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NATIONALISTS BEGIN A GENERAL RETREAT Abandoning Kwangtung For The South-West LAST DAYS OF CANTON

CANTON, OCTOBER 12.
NATIONALIST TROOPS THROUGHOUT THE CANTON-SWATOW AREA WERE REPORTED TODAY TO HAVE BEGUN A HUGE WITHDRAWAL TOWARD SOUTH WEST CHINA FOR A FINAL STAND ON THE ASIATIC CONTINENT.

Nationalist Governmental functions disintegrated in Canton to the roaring accompaniment of aeroplanes flying officials to safer havens in Taiwan.
Military commanders scraped together the last of their defence forces to brace the line 30 miles North of Canton in desperate efforts to hold open a funnel for the withdrawal Westward.

Emergency Martial Law In Canton

Canton, October 12.
A new emergency martial law is being strictly enforced in Canton.
General Li Chi-nam, the Garrison Commander, has ordered his troops to shoot any persons found acting as fifth columnists, saboteurs, looters or people publishing Communist slogans and propaganda.
The curfew in Canton has been extended one hour, from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.—Reuter.

ENVOYS ASKED TO DESERT

San Francisco, October 12.
Premier Chou En-lai of the new Communist Government in Peking yesterday invited Chinese diplomats all over the world to desert the Nationalist cause.

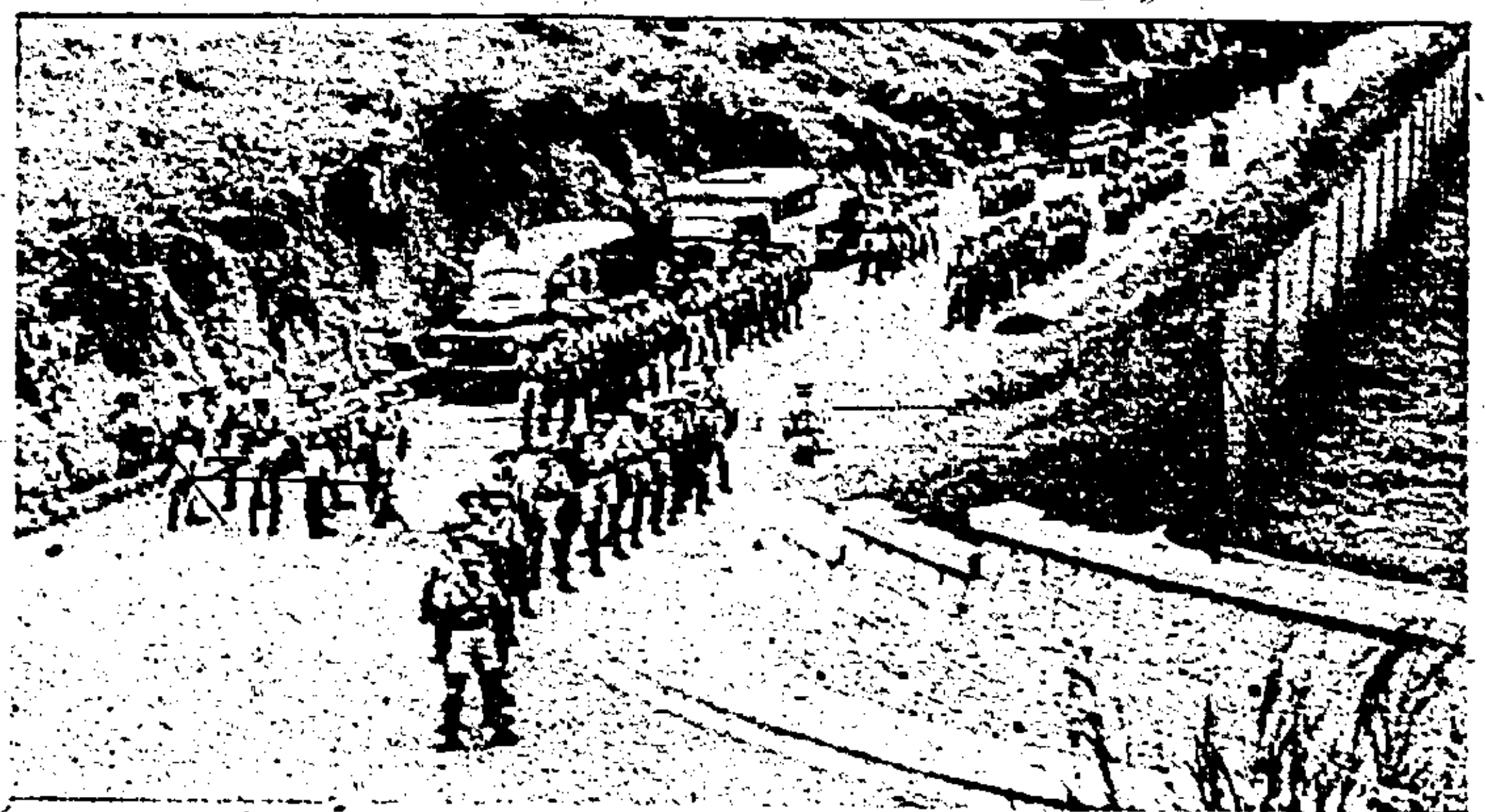
Chou promised that all who desert the Nationalists "shall be employed by this Ministry according to their ability."
On Washington, a spokesman of the Chinese Embassy said yesterday: "All members of the Embassy staff in Washington and all Embassy officials here are unquestionably loyal to the Nationalist Government."

Communist newspapers in Peking yesterday hailed the arrival of the Russian Ambassador, N. V. Roshchin, as opening a new era in Chinese-Soviet relations, the Communist radio reported.
In welcoming the new Ambassador on his arrival on Monday, Premier Chou En-lai expressed the belief that relations between the two nations would be further developed and consolidated.
"As a representative of the Soviet Government," Mr. Roshchin replied, "I will do my utmost to consolidate the close friendship between the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the People's Republic of China for the defence of world peace and international security."—Associated Press.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) pressure is high over China and over the Pacific to the E. of Japan. The depression probably remains over Southern Manchuria with a trough extending SE into the Sea of Japan. A cold front is expected to move Eastwards. A broad belt of Easterly trade winds covers the Pacific S. of Japan, the Philippines and the South China Sea.
Today's Forecast: Moderate E. winds. Fair.
Yesterday's Weather:
Maximum: 82.1 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 76.5 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: 8.0 hours.
Rainfall: Trace. Total since Jan. 1—181.7 mm.—77.22 in. in 1949.
Average of 2042-48 mm.—79.24 in. Readings at 10 a.m.—4 p.m.
Baro: at 0600: 1013.9 mm.—27.95 in.
Baro: at 1200: 1015.8 mm.—28.06 in.
Rel. Humidity: 76 %
New Point: 70 %
Wind Direction: E. 2382
Wind Force: 10 knots.
Wave: 2 ft.
Tide: High 11.00, Low 6.00.

"Emergency" At King's Park



A strong force of steel-helmeted police, equipped with anti-riot equipment, was sent out yesterday to deal with a considerable number of "looters" at King's Park in the combined Military-Police-Defence Force exercise. Shown here are the police at a road block in King's Park.—"China Mail" photo.

Rioting Mobs Strike At Colony's Defences

Rioters, saboteurs and enemy forces struck at Hong Kong's defences yesterday.
In large scale practice manoeuvres, vital installations at Kai Tak were blown up by infiltrating saboteurs, rioters knocked out four troop-laden trucks and dealt serious casualties to Commando troops, and Gurkha infantrymen blew up the Shouson Hill munitions dump.

Another unit of Gurkha infantrymen destroyed the workshop at RASC Camp, Causeway Bay, in a lightning hit and ran attack. They suffered light casualties.
At 8.30 a.m., more than 50 rioters incited and harangued hundreds of Chinese at Southern Playground, Hennessy Road. Police locked the gates of the playground with handcuffs.
For an hour, the rioters stormed up and down the streets swinging batons, and yelling anti-British slogans.
During a quarter of an hour, four truckloads of troops passed Hennessy Road.
The rioters bombarded the trucks with grenades as soon as they made their appearance. All the trucks and troops were put out of action.
Rioters had everything under control, and hundreds of cheering Chinese joined in the demonstrations.

Cathay Theatre "Battle"

After an hour of uninterrupted demonstrating, the rioters sent out scouts to locate the Army troops who were in the vicinity.
Scouts reported back that the troops were in front of the Cathay Theatre, taking command of the street, and quelling another riot.
The Hennessy Road rioters decided to seek the troops out and engage them in battle.
After the rioters had bombarded the front ranks of the troops with hand grenades, they were dispersed under withering rifle fire, leaving four wounded behind.
In the afternoon RAF personnel, acting as enemy saboteurs, passed by unsuspecting guards at Kai Tak and promptly blew up the petrol reserves and other vital supplies.

Barracks Attack Foiled

Other RAF men, dressed in civilian clothes, attempted to enter the airport as journalists but were discovered and arrested.
At the RASC Camp, Causeway Bay, a unit of Gurkha riflemen attacked the camp, under rifle and smoke bomb cover, and destroyed the workshop and heavy vehicles.
The Gurkhas made no attempt to break into the heavily guarded camp.
In the strongest attack of the day, Gurkhas attempted to break through and infiltrate into Victoria Barracks last night.
However, not one man got within 400 yards of the strategic Combined Services Headquarters.
Efficiency and effectiveness of the troops was judged by experienced officers.

King's Park "Demonstration"

One officer-empire said yesterday that when one knows and has experienced battle tactics, and has a knowledge of the strength and effectiveness of weapons in battle conditions, he can determine the success or failure of the manoeuvres. If they had taken place under actual battle conditions.
On the Mainland, two companies of the 2/6 Gurkha Rifles under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Shaw made up the enemy body attacking at various points in Kowloon.
The exercise there began early in the morning when the Gurkhas

MR. EDEN ATTACKS LABOUR

London, October 11.
Britain's wartime Foreign Minister, Mr. Anthony Eden, warned the British people today that socialism is fine for Russia where political freedom is unknown but "spells disaster" for Britain.
Mr. Eden called upon the people to throw out the Labour Government. He was speaking at the opening session of the 70th annual conference of the Conservative Party.
Mr. Eden, who is deputy leader of the party, again threw out a challenge to the Labour Government originally made by the Tory leader, Mr. Winston Churchill—to hold general elections at once.
He said: "It cannot come too soon. We need a government the purpose of which is to unite the nation and not to divide it; to rebuild our national life and not to socialise it."
Mr. Eden offered a 12-point programme which he said would avoid attacking any of the Labour Government's major policies, except nationalisation.
He said: "The real issue is whether we are to suffer more socialism with these rigid and bureaucratic methods which are so unsuited to the economy of our country and so alien to the whole spirit of our people, or whether we will build once again on sound foundations of enlightened free enterprise."
"It may be that Russia can work socialism. She has her own immense internal resources and there political freedom has not been known. But with us socialism spells disaster."—United Press.

SKIRMISH NEAR SOURABAYA

Batavia, October 12.
Five Dutch soldiers were killed early today when Indonesian and Dutch patrols had a sharp skirmish near Sourabaya in the most serious incident since the cease fire became effective in August.
The Republican army patrol encircled the Dutch and ordered them to surrender their arms, but the Dutch refused and the Republicans opened fire.
Observers here recall that Dutch patrols recently have been making large scale arrests and attempting to disarm Republican troops.
Meanwhile three more military observers arrived at Sourabaya to investigate the steadily worsening military situation in Java.
—United Press.

LEONARD CLARK LEAVES FOR HK

Canton, October 12.
Leonard Clark, 42, of San Francisco, reported to have left Canton for Hong Kong today following his release by the Chinese authorities holding him on manslaughter charges.
The authorities said Clark was set free with assurances from the United States Government that he will be available when and if he is called for trial.
Clark was accused of manslaughter in the deaths of the American, William Freeman, and the British, Harold Harris, in a shooting in the Freeman's house on the night of September 8.
The authorities said Freeman had accused Clark of attentions to Freeman's wife, Maya.—United Press.

EVACUATION OF CANTON SPEEDING UP

River ships from Canton yesterday brought to Hong Kong more than 2,000 passengers from the Communist-threatened Kwangtung capital. Passenger accommodation on all passenger boats was heavily taxed.

The vessels also discharged a considerable amount of personal luggage and furniture. Water-front coolies took advantage of the situation and demanded excessive rates for transporting luggage and furniture from the wharves.

Among the river vessels which arrived here yesterday from Canton were the ss. Fat-shan, ss. Shih Man, ss. Lee Yiu and ss. Wing Hing.
The first evacuation ship, ss. Fat-shan, arrived in Hong Kong at 7 a.m. and disembarked 23 Britons, Australians, Americans, Italians, French nationals, Germans and Stateless women.
The vessel was fully loaded with passengers who included 678 Chinese who brought a considerable amount of personal luggage and furniture from Canton.
Among the foreign passengers were Mr. J. Roux, Charge d'Affaires, French Embassy, and some members of the Embassy Staff. They were Miss A. J. Plessis, Mr. E. R. Cochot, Mr. Marie Cochot, Mr. R. P. Estamie, Mr. H. L. M. Brionval, and Commander J. M. Le Mouroux.
The other European passengers were Mr. E. J. Wagner and Mrs. E. K. V. Wagner, a German couple associated with the Canton branch of P. O. and Company, Mr. O. N. H. M. Smyth, of the Australian Government Trade Commissioner's office, Dr. J. R. S. Affra of the Portuguese Consulate, Mr. E. A. D. Smith, of Butterfield and Swire, and Mr. M. M. Rocchi and Dr. C. A. Cipello of the Italian Consulate.

Planes Busy

On the same ship were Mr. F. A. Nixon, of No. 290 Island Road, Mr. J. D. Johnston and Mrs. G. E. Johnston of No. 10, Cheung Chau Island, Mr. A. G. Lindquist and Mrs. A. M. Lindquist, of No. 41, Han Wong Road, Miss J. M. Dean of No. 126, Tai Po Road, Mr. P. A. Jourdan, of No. 18, Ice House Street, and Miss Raissa Boutskoi of No. 204A, Prince Edward Road.
Air traffic between Canton and Hong Kong increased considerably yesterday following the sudden rapid advance of the Communists towards the city.
Paradoxically, the number of passengers for Canton, which had been the incoming load, there were several additional shuttle flights to and from the Red-threatened city with most planes loaded to 100 per cent capacity.
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CRASH KILLS 40

Buenos Aires, October 12.
Forty were killed and more than 100 injured when an electric passenger train and a goods train crashed here just before midnight last night.
Three coaches were almost completely wrecked.—Reuter.

Chinese Ship Services Suspended

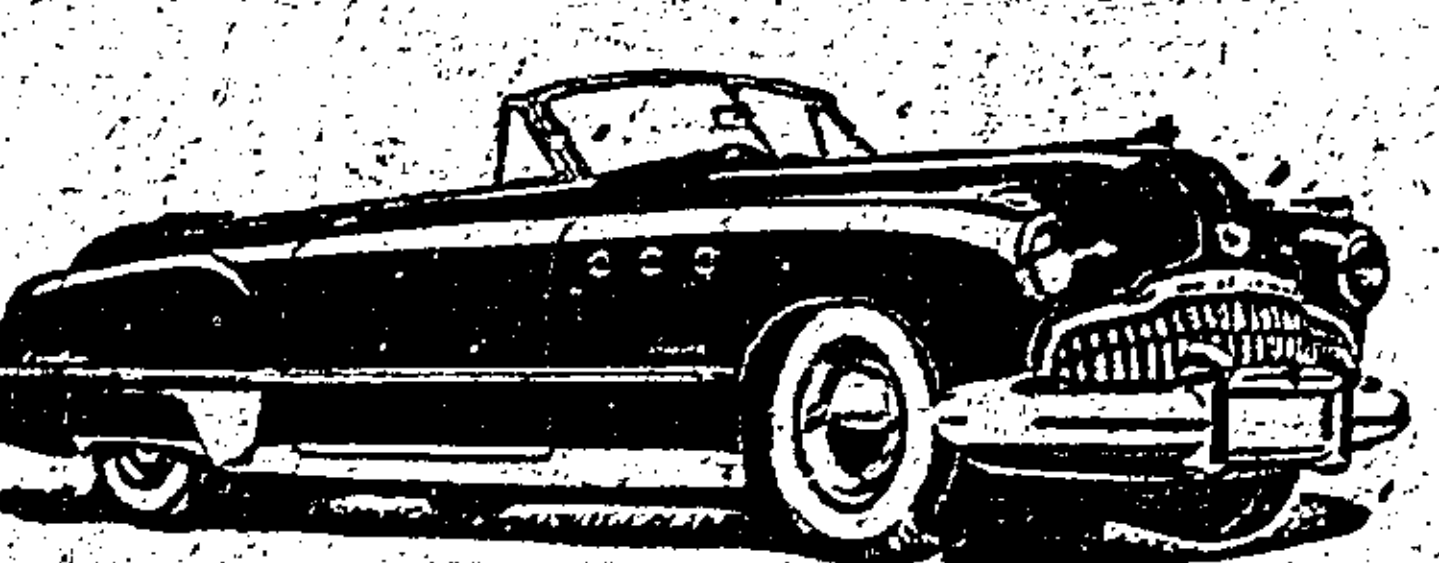
Most of the Chinese-registered ships plying between Hong Kong and Canton yesterday cancelled sailings to the Kwangtung capital, the "China Mail" learned yesterday. Only a few small cargo boats are continuing to operate between the two cities.
British and other foreign-registered vessels are, however, continuing maintenance of services to and from Canton.
Ships flying the British flag are the ss. Wuzuh, ss. Fat-shan, ss. Sing Hing and ss. Wing Hing.
The companies who have suspended sailings to Canton include the Ming Sung Industrial Company which owns a modern fleet of aluminium river vessels built in Canada.

ELECTION TALKS IN LONDON

London, October 12.
The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, will discuss general election timing tonight in a private talk following the Foreign Secretary's return from the United States.
Political quarters believe the Prime Minister contemplates an early public statement on the election, probably in Parliament next week—but are not convinced that it will be to announce a November dissolution.
Parliamentary sources believe that the Prime Minister—particularly if he intends to adhere to his plan for a spring election—will be obliged to break the silence to allay the general and developing restlessness caused by election speculation.
Many Government supporters fear that if this is not checked it will weaken the Government's authority and render it powerless to enforce the increased austerity programme made necessary by the devaluation of the pound.—Reuter.

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INSIDE STORY OF SOUTH CHINA WAR

Canton was given up as lost to the advancing Communists after a series of conferences between General Chiang Kai-shek and heads of the Army, Air Force and Navy at the Generalissimo's Whampoa villa late in September.

This was revealed by sources close to Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, Premier of Nationalist China, before they left the Colony for Tientsin by the British steamer Shansi yesterday.

More than 50 former legislators, Executive Yuan personnel and other Yuan officials embarked on the Butterfield and Swire vessel together with some 100 other Chinese passengers. These were—Dr. and Mrs. K. I. Graham of the Mackenzie Hospital, London Mission, Dr. and Mrs. W. Cochran and daughter, W. G. Webber, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Gran and Miss C. A. Clayton East.

Although some of the foreign passengers admitted that they were bound for the Communist city, the passenger list of Butterfield and Swire declared the destination as Inchon, Korea.

A source who declined identification and who declared that he was one of the Premier's closest advisers disclosed yesterday that Canton was officially given up by the leaders at meetings late in September during the visit of Generalissimo Chiang.

"When the Generalissimo left Canton, an official hint was circulated that there would be a mass evacuation of the Government some time early in October," the informant stated.

As a result, numerous Government officials took "medical leave" and came down to Hong Kong.

Yen To Resign?

The "medical leave" was extended occasionally to enable the "reserving" officials to procure passports for North China.

Many former Yuan executives have been able to return to Tientsin, Shansi, Shanghai and other provinces by sea.

Marshal Yen himself had suggested that he would resign not long after the decision was made, the informant stated. He had confided to his aides that he would like to retire to normal life in his native town.

"But to save face and maintain the morale of the other officials," he was persuaded by the Generalissimo to carry on," he declared.

At the September conferences, the Generalissimo met Lieutenant General Chow Chih-yu, head of the Air Force, Vice-Admiral Kwei Wing-ching, of the Navy, General Pai Chung-hsi, commander in Hunan Province, and the Premier.

General Pai was specially sent down to meet the heads at Canton by Acting President Li.

Gloomy Outlook

During that period, Generalissimo Chiang was flying to various points in China to iron out differences between West China leaders.

The conferences were then reported as being need to map out the defence of Kwangtung.

"The only alternative now is to hold South West China with Szechuen Province as the mainstay," the source asserted.

He added that the future is gloomy as the heads of the provinces in South West China have

their own ideas of defending their respective territories.

Marshal Yen failed miserably in South China but not because he is not capable of defending the province. Reasons for this failure include the lack of co-operation from the Kwangtung commanders, who seemed to have their own ideas, the Premier's ignorance of the dialect and terrain of the area, and the unsuitable climate," he declared.

Loss Of Face

Marshal Yen had been down with sickness occasionally since he came South early this year, even before he was appointed Premier. Working for long hours, often till late at night, had also affected his health considerably.

The Premier's ignorance of the Southern mentality had created great difficulty in maintaining harmony among the heads of the various departments.

Generally, the source asserted, the population regarded being administered by Northerners as something akin to losing face in not being able to defend their own city.

This feeling was prevalent among the rank and file of the Kwangtung militia.

The former high-ranking Cabinet official declared that he would resume work as an educator and would avoid politics for good.

"Many of the former legislators have openly renounced the Cabinet and declared their intention of co-operating with the People's Government."

"Personally, I will accept a post in the Education Ministry," he remarked.

Among the Government group there were several families.

Many families left for the North earlier.

Nationalists Begin A General Retreat

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The two Chinese, kneeling on the side of the road, had their hands tied behind them and were shot in the back of the head. After witnessing this gruesome sight the foreigner was permitted to proceed.

The Assistant British Military Attaché, Lieutenant Colonel John Cooper, made a second excursion into the countryside 20 miles outside Canton. He could find no signs of Nationalist defences or other fortifications. Nor could he find any signs of guerrillas.

He passed the airfield which was packed with aircraft continuously evacuating Chinese officials and civilians.

A high Kuomintang official today denied a Chinese press report that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek arrived in Canton on board a warship yesterday.

He said that the Generalissimo held a conference with Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, the Nationalist Premier, in Taiwan yesterday.

British Embassy To Close

The office maintained by the British Embassy in Canton will be closed with the withdrawal from the city of the Chinese Nationalist Government, the Foreign Office in London said today.

The British representation in Canton will be maintained by the British Minister, Mr. P. Coghlin, who will be acting Consul-General, officials said.

Other consular officials remaining in China include Mr. R. L. Currie and Mr. E. T. Biggs as consuls at Chungking and Taipei, in Taiwan.

The Foreign Office said that the British Ambassador to China, Sir Ralph Stevenson, is due to leave shortly for consultations in London but details of his journey have not yet been decided.

United Press and Reuters.

Shengkong Leaves For Shanghai

The ss. Shengkong left for Shanghai yesterday to evacuate British nationals from the Chinese port.

It is understood that Sir Ralph Stevenson, British Ambassador to China, will board the Shengkong for Hong Kong. The Shengkong, according to the ship's agents, did not carry any passengers for Shanghai.

No date has yet been fixed for the second British vessel, the ss. Wingsang, to leave for Shanghai for the same purpose.

The Nationalist Government and the Shanghai authorities have assured safe conduct for the two vessels in and out of Shanghai.

Personalia

Messrs. M. Mehling, S. E. Van Nostrand and Quach Phieu left for Saigon yesterday by Air France.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gabrielson are due to return here by the ss. President Cleveland on Saturday. Mr. Gabrielson is Assistant Vice-President of the American Petroleum Lines in the Far East. He went to the United States to confer with the company's executives at San Francisco.

Mr. T. D. Adams, Senior Dyestuffs Assistant with the Imperial Chemical Industries (China) Limited, is also on board the ss. President Cleveland. He and Mrs. Adams are returning from a visit to America.

Mrs. Al Richardson is expected here on Saturday to join her husband, Manager of the Hercules Corporation. Mr. Richardson also has a big interest in the Lunar Park to be opened here in November.

Mrs. Andrew Lowe, wife of the Vice-President of the National Dollar Store, Hong Kong, will arrive in Hong Kong on Saturday by the ss. President Cleveland.

Other passengers disembarking here by the ss. President Cleveland on Saturday will include Mr. and Mrs. Robert Linn and their two children, Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Allayre, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Harrison, and Mr. Jack M. Eng.

Mr. Linn is a United States Government employee and Mr. Allayre is the Manager of the Frisland Trading Company. Limited. Mr. Eng is partner and general manager of the Island Paint Company.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday included Mr. and Mrs. H. Lech, Mr. and Mrs. H. Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Chiang, Messrs. J. A. F. Whitaker, H. F. Vincent, H. McDonald, W. E. Reeve, R. P. Brown, N. J. Mehra, W. F. Fidler and B. Dweck.

New arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday included Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Knowlton, I. G. I. Sim, T. Malcolm, R. E. Murry, C. R. Leaber, and B. E. Tingle.

Among those who left Hong Kong for Singapore yesterday by BOAC were Messrs. G. Hoh, I. G. T. Sim, H. J. Ludwigsen, Yu Chun-tai, Lee, Chen-chie, A. Campbell, M. Gay, A. Lister, G. Lister and A. Logan.

Among the passengers who arrived here by CPA yesterday from Bangkok and Singapore were B. J. Sullivan, R. F. Abalos, Mrs. Oviannikov, G. M. Villasean, Lee Ting-tung, J. J. Todd, Comdr. B. J. B. Morahan.

Passengers who left by CPA yesterday for Bangkok and Singapore included F. K. Pattison, Jose Valmonte, Ngo Chew-kang, Han Lee-yuen, Mrs. L. Blufford, O. J. Pong Hong, Chu Har-kong and Lim Sok-chin.



Arrivals from Shanghai by the French liner Marechal Joffre disembarking and being welcomed by friends and relatives at Kowloon Wharf. Of the 541 passengers evacuated by the liner, 322 landed here. ("China Mail" Photo).

SHANGHAI EVACUEES ARRIVE IN MM SHIP

The French liner Marechal Joffre arrived here yesterday from Shanghai to mark another successful evacuation of foreigners from the Communist metropolis with the joint permission of both the Chinese authorities there and the Nationalists.

Three hundred and thirty-two passengers of more than 25 nationalities disembarked yesterday at Kowloon Wharf. The remaining 219 left last evening by the liner for Saigon and Marseilles.

Heading the arrivals were the French Ambassador, Jacques Meyrier; the Dutch Ambassador, Baron François C. van Aerssen; the Swedish Ambassador, Mr. T. L. Hammarstrom; the Portuguese Minister, Dr. J. de Barros Ferreira da Fonseca; the British Vice-Consul at Hankow, Mr. C. M. McLachlan; and the Director of the United States Information Service (Hankow), Mr. H. Hudson.

Besides diplomatic and consular personnel, there were executives of all the airlines formerly operating in Shanghai; officials of Texaco, Shell and Sococo; missionaries, businessmen who have closed shop and are leaving for good, and Displaced Persons, most of whom are bound for Australia for resettlement.

The arrivals included 150 French nationals, 42 statesmen, one Turk, two New Zealanders, one Siamese, four Australians, one Iraqi, 62 Portuguese, four Palestinians, 10 Germans, two Irish, 17 Austrians, one Indian, 12 Canadians, 108 Britons, one Filipino, 15 Americans, three Danes, 10 Italians, nine Swiss, 22 Spaniards, four Belgians, three Greeks, one Swede, 34 Soviet Russians, six Dutch, one Norwegian, two Iranians, two Hungarians, three Syrians and one Finn.

The Marechal Joffre brought 76 mail bags and two cars besides some 600 tons of personal baggage.

Mr. M. R. E. Jobez, Hong Kong French Consul General, boarded the liner immediately after her berthing alongside Kowloon Wharf to welcome Ambassador Meyrier.

On her arrival at Shanghai, a delegation from the Chinese Seamen's Union invited the Communist personnel of the liner to a special party. This was later extended to other members of the crew.

The personnel were permitted shore leave.

Two hours before the Marechal Joffre left the city, the Communist authorities entertained the personnel and passengers along the waterfront with displays of folk dancing, fireworks and the Dragon Dance.

To help the show, the ship's searchlights were used.

The ship left at 10 p.m. on October 10.

At about 2 a.m. when they reached the mouth of the river, a representative of Admiral Kwei boarded the ship to pay respects on behalf of the Nationalist Admiral to the Ambassador.

Life in Shanghai

Shanghai wives and life in Shanghai "not bad." That was the general impression gained after several interviews with the ladies who arrived here yesterday by the French liner.

Russian designers and fashion establishments had mushroomed on the closure of their Continental and American counterparts.

Because of the existing conditions of transportation and social life, there is a tendency to social utility rather than streamlined elegance.

"New look" fashions are still the talk of the town. Very few have adopted this latest "craze."

"As far as I could see, they were still in the spring, 1949, period," said one.

Hair-dressing has also stressed utility. They cut shorter, apparently because of the heat.

Night Life

"Accessories" are not short but they are expensive. This may also be one reason for the prevalent utility "cut" said a Briton, who had been in Shanghai for more than a decade.

Night life is restricted to private informal parties.

"Friends met in one another's residence for social evenings. There was any necessity to dress up or worry over fashion," said a French lady, whose husband was formerly in the diplomatic service, and who is now en route to Marseilles.

Housekeeping does not bother the wives. Foodstuffs are cheaper comparatively. They could be obtained easily.

The only irritation in housekeeping was the servants, who often went out of their way to abuse their status under the new regime.

Wages were another problem with them. Increases were occasionally demanded. Generally the authorities back the servants in their claims.

Not Hostile

Night life is a thing of the past. Night clubs are heavily taxed and are consequently very expensive.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

Stamps Wanted

Sir,—I am a young woman with five small children, and as I am mostly confined to the home, I have become very interested in stamp collecting.

I wondered if you would publish a request to your readers for any who would be interested to exchange Hong Kong stamps for Australian ones.

MRS. V. GLAVERT, 28 McNell Street, Peppermint Grove, Western Australia.

YWCA ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN

The annual finance campaign for the YWCA will be opened at a meeting tomorrow at 3 p.m. in the Association's centre, 11, Duddell Street.

Mrs. Tan Ken-hoon, campaign chairman, will preside at the meeting. Dr. S. C. Leung, Executive Secretary for the Eastern Asia Christian Conference, will address the group, and Lady Grantham, Honorary President of the YWCA in Hong Kong, will give out flags to the captains of the various teams.

This year there are 500 campaign workers divided into three divisions of 10 teams each. Rallying to the theme "I am pressing towards the goal," they are getting set to raise \$165,000 between October 14 and November 15.

The YWCA has just completed a very active year and has an even busier one ahead.

Money to carry on its activities must be acquired through direct donations by the public-spirited and socially-minded people of Hong Kong.

There are no outside endowments or funds available to the YWCA. It is in an effort to raise this money, an estimated \$165,000 for the coming year, that the Finance Campaign is being conducted.

Five hundred authorised campaign workers will begin "pressing towards the goal." Help them to help serve the women and girls of Hong Kong.

For patrons, most of whom are Government officials of the new administration.

On the issue of foreign women being subjected to public embarrassment on the streets, the majority asserted that the lower class people, especially the pedicab coolies, were inclined to be rude. But they were not hostile.

"The better class Chinese are still the same—polite and friendly," said another French lady who had been in China for about 20 years.

"And what do the spouses think about it all?"

To quote one who had been trading in Shanghai for decades: "The women of Shanghai—I mean the foreign community—have done one great thing in giving moral support to their husbands by the practical manner in which they have accepted the many difficulties which have beset foreigners in the past six months."

"It is their cheerful outlook and their 'make the best of it' attitude that has maintained harmony and peace of mind to a considerable extent despite the hardship," the British businesswoman declared.

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CHARITY BALL AT EUCLIFF

(By JANET MARTIN)

A special feature of last night's Charity Ball at Eucliff was the Fashion Parade organised by The Linen Chest.

Model evening gowns from America followed a flower pattern, enhanced by lovely corsages and sprays of the most unbelievably natural flowers.

TICKET SCALPER TRIAL

The defence in the Ticket Scalper trial will open some interesting evidence by police witnesses.

The five accused charged with murder are Chan Kam-chuen, Chan Kang-chuen, Kwang Hung, Leung Kan and Li Wing. They are alleged to have attacked and killed Chan Hoi, a ticket scalper, on May 7 outside the China Theatre in Landale Street, Wanchai.

First second fifth are represented by Mr. V.J.L. Dalton instructed by Mr. A. el Areal. The other two are defended by Mr. A. J. Clifford on the instructions of Mr. A.M.L. Soares.

Mr. M. Heenan, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector M. J. G. Saul, is prosecuting. Earlier in the day, the jury was temporarily dismissed in order that the question of the admissibility of certain statements made by the accused be argued.

When the jury was recalled, Detective Constable Kwong Shek testified as to having seen about the spot where two words were buried by one of the accused after his arrest. This information was voluntary and no questions were asked of him on that subject, witness added.

After cross-examination, hearing was adjourned until this morning.

Theatrical Company's Air Tour

The Shakespeare Memorial Theatre Company, like Puck, plan to "put a girldle round about the earth".

Puck's idea called for a round-the-world flight in 40 minutes. The Shakespeare Memorial Company plan to take about 100 hours flying time for their 30,000-mile journey. So far as is known, it will be the longest air tour ever undertaken by a theatrical company.

The company will tour Australia and New Zealand, returning home across the Pacific and the U.S.A. The company, 33 strong, left London by BOAC-Quantas in two parties on October 5 and 7 for Sydney.

Diana Wynyard, leading lady at Stratford for the last two years, and Anthony Quayle, Director of the Theatre, will travel with the second group.

It is expected that the Company will open in Melbourne for a four-week season, then play in Sydney for six weeks ending with four weeks in New Zealand, probably in Auckland and Wellington.

They will fly home early in February. Plans for this tour have been organised to the last detail to dovetail with the 1949 and 1950 season at Stratford. Scenery for "Macbeth" and "Much Ado About Nothing" has already been shipped to Australia to await the arrival of the Company. BOAC-Quantas will fly out the 55 costumes for "Much Ado" with the Company. Australian audiences will be seeing the Stratford actors playing the same parts in the same costumes only 14 days after audiences at Stratford.

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The most outstanding ensemble displayed, however, was a local product, designed and made on the Hong Kong. This is a lounge outfit, consisting of black satin pyjamas with wide legs caught into ankle-bands, Turkish style blouse with full bishop sleeves lashed down the sides; wide cummerbund of bright green satin. A mandarin jacket in gold tribute silk completes a very striking effect.

Among the evening gowns, my first choice was the lovely "Scarlet Ribbon" in white silk jersey, draped on Grecian lines with a new panner panels at the sides and worn with a dramatic full length cloak of scarlet chiffon.

Then "Mimosa", one of Linen Chest's own creations, in stiff, gold Pekin gauze trimmed with leaves of rich brown velvet. This model features the dipping hemline, knee length in front, ankle length at the back.

Arresting Model

"Green Orchid" is an arresting model in iridescent taffeta, the latest deep olive green, overchecked in cream and grey. Shimmering bands outline the top of the strapless bodice and hips, shirred bustle at the back. A gleaming stole of shot gauze folds stiffly around the shoulders.

"Black Narcissus" is a sleek black crane dinner gown with narrow silk and a double cascade of black taffeta enclosing masses of brilliant flowers.

"Primrose" is a charming de-baute gown in palest green satin, full skirted, with bouffant cascade back, caught with roses. "California Poppy", in stiff moire, features the leftward movement with slanted bodice neckline finished with a scalloped bounce and skirt caught up at the left side to reveal a ruffled petticoat of pale peach taffeta.

"Emerald Begonia" is a sophisticated dinner gown in fine crepe with draped shoulders, deep V neckline and an unusual collar effect consisting of a wide band of brilliants.

Hooped Skirt

"Green Lily", a strapless model in emerald green taffeta has a romantic hoop skirt with green effect caught at the back with a stiff bow. Pink orchids are worn in the hair.

"Forget-Me-Not", in pale blue taffeta, is swathed in stiff folds around the shoulders and has a full-skirted skirt of fine crepe with panner effect at the hips and clusters of deep red roses at the waist.

Finally, two luxurious house-coats in rich Chinese silk, full skirted, with wide sleeves.

Among the large crowd were the Hon. Mr. Sir Alexander Grantham, and Lady Grantham.

Side shows included a treasure hunt, lucky numbers, hoop-la, coconut shies, and man-in-the-moon.

Other items were a diving display and piano solo by little Miss Mimi Chow.

Musical dancing was provided by Fred Carpio and his Orchestra.

The function was organised by the women's International Club in aid of Services Club funds.

RABIES MENACE

It is almost impossible to save the life of a child bitten on the face by a rabid dog, said an official statement by the Public Relations Office yesterday.

All dog bites are dangerous, added the statement. Rabies spreads so rapidly as to cause grave concern.

In the interest of your own life, report every case of dog bite however trivial. Reports may be made to any Police Station, any doctor or any clinic.

Rabies can not be prevented by darning, iodine or any other antiseptic on the wound. The only certain method of prevention is a course of injections. You are risking your life if you neglect this precaution. One of the recent victims of rabies was a Chinese herbalist who chose to treat himself. The wound healed but he died.

Some dog bites are much more dangerous than others. Bites on the fingers are more dangerous than bites on the legs. Bites through clothing are least dangerous.

Bites on the neck are extremely dangerous, only immediate treatment can possibly save life; while bites on the face especially mouth and nose are grave. It is not certain that even immediate treatment can save life—the disease spreads so rapidly into the brain.



All ships from Canton yesterday were packed to capacity with evacuating passengers from the Communist-threatened Kwangtung capital. The ss. Fatahan disembarked a total of 679 Chinese and 23 Europeans, including staff members of the French Embassy. Some passengers brought a considerable amount of personal luggage and household furniture.—(Francis Wu Photo).

JUDGMENT RESERVED IN BIG CLAIM CASE

The statement of claim for the amount of \$900,000 in the Shanghai foreign exchange case at the Supreme Court was amended yesterday, as a result of which the amount was increased to \$1,409,649.79.

Following the formal handing in of the amendment sheet, Mr. Leo d'Almada, KC, senior counsel for the plaintiff, wound up his case, after which the senior Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Williams, reserved judgment.

This was the conclusion of a 14-day action, brought by Mr. A. V. White, of 3 College Road, who claims the sum from Mr. F. C. Roberts, of 96 Robinson Road, by virtue of alleged transactions in foreign exchange currency in Shanghai during 1947 and 1948.

Defendant denies such transactions took place between himself and Mr. White. Alternatively, he claims that if they did take place, then they were illegal according to the laws of China, and therefore not valid.

Mr. White is represented by Mr. d'Almada and Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva, Mr. H. G. Sheldon, KC, and Mr. A. J. Clifford, on the instructions of Sir Man-kam Lo, appeared for Mr. Roberts.

Mr. Wright told the Court at the commencement of hearing yesterday that the amendment had been brought about as a result of evidence given by a certain witness from the Central Bank of China regarding Chinese National Currency and foreign exchange. This amendment, he stated, was in connection with 12 contracts between December 1 and 18, 1947.

"Bad English"

Mr. d'Almada then began his summing up of the case for the plaintiff to the Court, in the course of which he submitted in relation to the translations of certain articles of Chinese regulations in question that the testimony given by Mr. Loo and Mr. Lam on behalf of the defence must be discarded.

Mr. Loo, he continued, had put Article 23 into ungrammatical and bad English so as to attempt to convey his meaning to the Court, and Mr. Lam had tried to justify his own translation by going back to time immemorial when there was no business done in China.

"It was a pathetic attempt to bring the contract suit on within Article 23," Mr. d'Almada added.

Turning to the other aspect of the case, Mr. d'Almada inquired as to where one could find in Article 4 that such contracts entered between Baeten and Roberts were void and illegal because that was the defendant's case, in substance.

He submitted that there was nothing in the article referred to from which one could infer that transactions not done through an appointed bank were void and illegal. There was no warranty or assumption to that effect.

No Evidence

Dealing with the allegation that the August 1947 Regulations covered the transactions sued on, counsel submitted that there was not a single piece of evidence to show that there was any intention on the part of the plaintiff to have the transactions performed in an illegal manner.

Mr. d'Almada recalled to the Court his submission that the Court has power to inquire into the validity of a foreign law. The defence, he went on, has suggested that what has been done has been contrary to the law of a foreign country. An investigation into the validity is always most carefully carried out in such cases, but the burden of proof always rests on the party who alleges illegality.

Counsel went on to say that this was a question of extreme importance. It was the defendant's case that the transactions were "illegal" because Chinese law called it so.

"by foreign laws raised," Mr. d'Almada told the Court. Turning to the statement of defence in which it was laid down that Roberts had been a partner in exchange business, but in imports and exports, Mr. d'Almada said there was no evidence to support a partnership in existence dealing with imports and exports. On the other hand there was ample evidence to show that the two gentlemen were engaged in exchange transactions.

"Black Market"

"Why did not defendant go into the box to say 'I was in partnership with Baeten in this import and export business'?" Mr. d'Almada inquired.

Counsel went on to say that plaintiff was claiming his money and his clients' money. In the course of this trial, the phrase "black market" had been heard more than once. Without a careful scrutiny of the evidence in this case, he added, one might feel that cast a suspicion upon the transactions in question.

"If your lordship will consider the evidence carefully, you will find there is nothing in the whole of the case which supports the defence's allegations that these transactions were illegal," he concluded.

After Mr. Sheldon had replied to Mr. d'Almada's contentions and submissions on the subject of whether the Court could decide the validity of a foreign law, the Court reserved its decision.

CAR THIEVES GAOLED

Chan Nai-chai, aged 18, and Cheung Wo, aged 19, car cleaners who worked outside the Alhambra Theatre, were sentenced to six months' imprisonment and recommended for banishment, by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday on two larceny charges from private cars parked outside the theatre.

Defendants were accused of stealing two cars, cameras, the property of Mr. William C. Williams, missionary teacher of 44 Duke Street, from a car parked outside the Alhambra Theatre on September 29. The previous day defendants stole a sports jacket belonging to a Mr. Westbrook, also from a car outside the theatre.

Two other defendants involved in the case were Yuen King-yin, photographer, and Lo Chak-long, shop keeper of 206 Nathan Road. They were charged with receiving the cameras, knowing that they were stolen property.

Mr. P. L. Lam, solicitor, representing the last two defendants, pleaded guilty on behalf of Yuen and not guilty on behalf of Lo, the charge against whom was withdrawn by the prosecution.

Lo, Kavanagh, who prosecuted, said that the cameras, valued at \$1,200, were sold to Yuen for \$150 by the car cleaners. The sports jacket valued at \$120 was pawned to a pawnshop for \$20.

Reminders

Today

Grand Mahjong Party, Women's Section, European YMCA, 2.30 p.m. to 5.45 p.m.
Helena May Institute, annual general meeting, 6 p.m.
Barnstoppers Variety Show for members and services, European YMCA, 8 p.m.
Y's Men's Club, luncheon at Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Cocktail Party on ss. Talleyrand, 6 p.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, talk on "Registration of Population" by Mr. W. G. Wormal, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
RAF Association, luncheon at Jacobean Room, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Exhibition of Rare Books, (1480-1940), British Council Library, Statue Square, 5 p.m.
HK Badminton Association, Executive Committee meeting, SCM Post board room, 5.30 p.m.
HK Football Association, disciplinary Committee meeting, Prince's Building, 5.45 p.m.

Gold Ordered Returned

Arrested at the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station on Tuesday evening for importing gold without a licence, Lee Ling, a 22-year-old married woman, was fined \$10 by Mr. F. X. d'Almada, at Kowloon yesterday.

Revenue Inspector Fowler said that defendant came from Canton and when asked whether she had any gold to declare she answered in the positive, and six and a half tael of gold consisting of two bars and one bracelet were found on her person.

Mr. Fowler said the prosecution was pressing the case and the gold was ordered to be returned to her.

Gold consisting of two bangles and two bars weighing 5.5 taels was also ordered to be returned to Chung Chan-ying of 131 Des Voeux Road West by Mr. James Wick at Kowloon yesterday. A fine of \$250 was imposed.

Defendant, who came here by air from Swatow on Tuesday, was arrested at Kai Tak on a charge of importing gold without a licence.

Mr. Fowler said that when the usual question was put to him, defendant probably did not hear it on account of the noise at the airfield at the time. However, defendant himself handed the gold over to the authorities, he said, adding that the prosecution was not pressing the case.

European In Court

On a charge of malicious damage, Leslie Albert Waller, aged 30, of Whiteaway Laid-law and Company, was yesterday fined \$25 and ordered to pay \$40 compensation, by Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central.

Inspector Dewar told the court that at 5 p.m. on October 10, defendant went to visit a friend at the Yuen Shing Hong Company at Room 608, Bank of China Building.

On the way up defendant had a quarrel with someone and there was a commotion. The owner of Room 608, on hearing of the commotion, phoned the police. Before their arrival of the police, defendant went to Room 608 and knocked on the door. On being refused admittance, defendant broke the glass pane of the door. On the arrival of the police, defendant was taken to the police station and was later detained in hospital for a day with a badly lacerated left arm. Defendant had been drinking.

Evacuation Of Canton Speeding Up

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Passengers going to Canton said that they have various reasons for doing so. Some hope to settle personal family and business matters there within the next two days before returning to the Colony. Many others merely said: "We are returning home."

Russian Officials

Arrivals to a large extent, were Chinese Government officials and their families. Each plane landing brought a maximum load of personal effects and household goods. Pilots of the planes, also were seen with much of their own effects, a strong indication that they were leaving their homes in Canton.

A chartered Hong Kong Airways plane brought a full load of Russians into the Colony late yesterday afternoon.

They were all members of the Russian Embassy staff with their wives and children.

The Russians flatly refused to have any word with the Press. "We have nothing to say," was their reply to reporters.

This was the first group of the Russian Embassy staff to leave Canton following the recent recognition of Mao Tse-tung's government by the Soviet Union. More of them are expected to fly out from Canton to Hong Kong today.

Night Flights Cancelled

The almost confused state of the airport yesterday gave rise to many rumours. The strongest one was that Kai Tak would, as it did during Shanghai's last days, operate all night yesterday.

Airlines set to work planning night flights and airport staff were issued with orders to return for night duty.

Later in the afternoon, however, an official message was received and issued by Air Movements that the airport would close as usual last night.

The Kowloon-Canton Railway operated on schedule yesterday and will continue to do so until the last moment.

During the last few days, an increase in the number of passengers from Canton has been registered.

Evacuees from Canton are expected to increase considerably as the Communist forces advance closer to Canton, and more Nationalist Government departments evacuate to Chungking or Taiwan.

Reports that the China Merchants Steam Navigation's local office has been instructed to send all available ships to Canton to assist in the evacuation of Government personnel and property were denied by the manager of the company.

He added that even if such an order was received, he would not be able to comply as the only three ships available are under repair.

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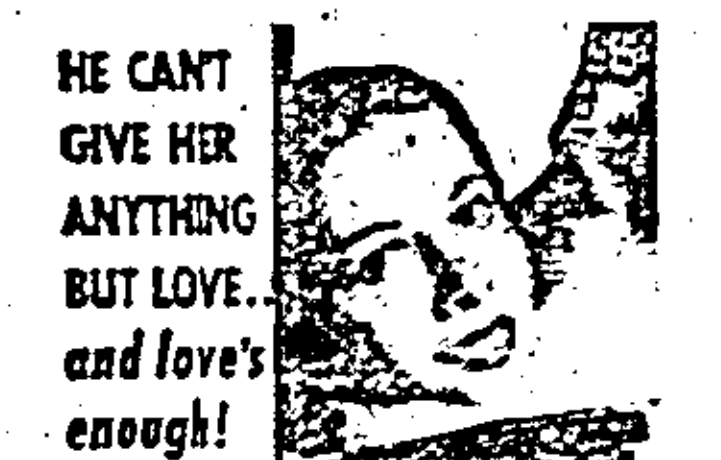
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BELGIANS MAY VOTE ON LEOPOLD ISSUE

Brussels, October 11.

A joint Parliamentary Committee today approved the final draft of a Bill providing for a referendum on King Leopold's return to the throne.

If the Bill goes through Parliament, every Belgian over 21—except serving members of the armed forces—will be called upon to take part in a nation-wide plebiscite to say whether they want provisionally exiled King Leopold to return to the throne or whether they prefer that he should abdicate in favour of Prince Bojdouin, his 19-year-old son and heir.

International Code For Doctors

London, October 11. Doctors of 42 nations today approved the first international code of medical ethics and standards of medical care.

They are attending the World Medical Association's conference which opened here under the Presidency of Dr. Charles Hill, Secretary of the British Medical Association.

The code holds that a doctor must give necessary treatment in an emergency and that a doctor owes his patient complete loyalty and absolute secrecy.—Reuter.

LUNATIC STILL AT LARGE

Paris, October 11. A five-day man hunt by village police and bloodhounds in the Morbihan area of Brittany had tonight failed to trace Pierre Bernard, 29-year-old escaped criminal lunatic, believed last Thursday to have set fire to a farm, killed a boy of two years and abducted another boy of nine months.

Bernard's previous known acts of criminal madness include the murder of his mother and a baby niece.

The Morbihan police were today reported to be considering asking the local army authorities for troops to hunt down Bernard.

The hunt was over misty heaths and rain-soaked woods of an area between Quiberon and Lorient dotted with concrete pillboxes built during the German occupation.

At 15 "Mad Peter" drowned his nine-months' old niece by holding her head down in a basin of water because "she cried too much."

He was again sent to a criminal lunatic asylum from which he escaped on the night of September 5.—Reuter.

107th BIRTHDAY

St. Leonards-on-Sea, October 11. Spry and hearty Mrs. Matilda Coppin celebrated her 107th birthday today.

In Stroud, Kent, her brother, Charles Evans, 94, said he will drop around to his local pub tonight to drink a toast to her health.—Associated Press.

The Bill, tabled by M. Paul Struyve, a Catholic and a former Minister of Justice, will be debated in the Senate, the Belgian Upper House, on October 25. Later, it will go before the Chamber of Deputies, the Lower House.

The position of the country's three main parties on the question of King Leopold's return is as follows:

The Catholics are wholly in favour of the King's return.

The only solution acceptable to the Socialists is the King's abdication in favour of his son.

The Liberals are divided on the issue.

The three Parties agree that a referendum is the best means of solving the problem, although they disagree on two points.

The Socialists say the King must obtain at least two-thirds of the vote before he can be reinstated. The Liberals also favour a percentage.

Regional Basis

In addition, the Socialists and Liberals want the count on a regional and not a national basis so that the opinion of both the Walloon (French-speaking) and the Flemish populations will be fairly reflected.

The King, they add, must obtain an "undisputable majority" in all parts of the country. If he comes back he must be King of all the Belgians.

There are even some Catholics who share this view.

The Bill approved today, as it stands, does provide for a regional count.

It is expected, however, that when it comes up for debate, the majority of Catholics will press for an amendment asking for the count to be taken on a national basis.

To See Leopold

For weeks past the Prime Minister, M. Gaston Eyskens, has been consulting leaders of the three parties for agreement on these outstanding points.

At a local Catholic Party meeting in Louvain last night he said he hoped to find a solution to the Royal question "in a matter of weeks."

According to usually well-informed circles here, M. Eyskens is preparing a compromise on the percentage question and the question of whether the count should be taken regionally or nationally.

He is expected to see the King at his temporary home at Pregny, near Geneva, later this month to seek Royal approval of his compromise plan.—Reuter.

Tibetan Tribesmen To Confer

San Francisco, October 11. The representatives of various tribes in East Tibet will soon meet in Labrang, a South West Kansu town, for a conference, according to Peking Radio tonight.

More than 190 representatives from 30 tribes in Tsinghai, Lhasa, Szechuan and Kansu itself are already at Labrang, the Radio said.

The purpose of the conference was to discuss the "favourable situation" at the formation of the Government and the establishment of a People's Republic.—Reuter.

CREW ASK TO BE PAID OFF

Singapore, October 11. Most of the deckhands of the 10,172-ton American tanker, St. Christopher, demanded to be paid off here today because they want no further part in supplying Russia with war materials.

The tanker, berthed in Singapore after delivering a cargo of paraffin to the Russian port of Vladivostok, a crew spokesman said that 25 American and two other seamen wanted to leave the ship here—to be returned to New York—but United States consular officials had not decided whether to allow it.

The ship's 12 officers and five of the crew are willing to stay with the ship. One of these officers said: "We do not want to work for Russia any more than anybody else. But we feel the necessity of maintaining trade relations between the two countries is as vital as keeping good diplomatic relations. We know our Government is permitting this with its eyes wide open."

Three of the crew are insisting on first class sea passages home but the remainder are willing to fly.

If the St. Christopher's American agents in New York order the ship back to the United States instead of the Persian Gulf as planned, the crew will be forced to stay on board.

The crew were not allowed to be interviewed on board, but ashore some of them said that when they signed on they were told that the voyage would take them to the Black Sea and Mediterranean ports.

They did not know that they were bound for Russia until they had left a Russian port with a cargo of paraffin oil.—Reuter.

Russian General Accuses Allies

Berlin, October 11.

General Alexander Kotikov, the Soviet Commander of Berlin, today accused the Western Commandants of non-co-operation in returning Berlin's life to normal.

In a letter to the Western Commandants published by the British authorities tonight, he said that they were "disrupting the execution of the Paris communiqué" on Berlin issued after the "Big Four" Foreign Ministers' conference.

General Kotikov's letter was in answer to one from the Western Commandants in which they said that they were not prepared to continue the discussions "until we can be confident that agreements will be honoured in the letter and spirit by the Soviet authorities."

General Kotikov wrote: "Your refusal to take part in consultative meetings at a moment when they had already started to show positive results does not prove your desire to normalise the life of the town and to act in the spirit of co-operation."

"If you have in my mind any concrete facts which are causing you doubts they could be worked out in a peaceful spirit."

"Under these circumstances," the Soviet note continued, "responsibility for the disruption of carrying out Paragraph 3 (C) of the Paris communiqué falls entirely upon you."

This paragraph is the one dealing with normalising the life of Berlin.

The Russian note concludes: "The Soviet Kommandatura on its part firmly adheres to the decisions of the Paris meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers and will insist that they be carried out by the other participants."

An official British spokesman stated that General Kotikov's letter could only be regarded as "most unsatisfactory"—Reuter.

FILM ON THE VIRGIN MARY

Rome, October 11. A film company has been formed to make a full-length picture of the life of the Virgin Mary, to be shown during the Holy Year in 1950.

The picture will be called "The Life of Mary in History and Legend" and the sound track will be made in five languages.

The company, whose honorary president is the Italian banker, Prince Francesco Chigi, is holding a competition to find the most suitable actress to play the title role.—Reuter.

Love Life Made Him Desert

Farnborough, October 11.

A court martial sentenced Private Stanley G. Piquet, 31, to serve 84 days in the guard-house for desertion caused by "extraordinary" complications in his love life.

Piquet deserted late in 1947, when the Dutch girl informed him that she was about to bear their second baby.

The two were unable to marry, because Piquet already had a wife in the Channel Islands, where no divorce is possible. Their marriage was broken up during the war, when Mrs. Piquet fell in love with one of the Germans who occupied the small islands.

After leaving the army, Piquet went to live with the Dutch girl in the Netherlands, he obtained a job there, and stayed for 18 months before his wife's death cleared the way for his second marriage.

As soon as he had married the Dutch girl, Piquet surrendered to the British authorities and was brought to trial. The court gave him an unusually light sentence because of the "nature of the case."—United Press.

GERMANY TO HAVE DELEGATE AT EEC TALKS

Bonn, October 11.

The West German Federal Government has received permission from the Allied High Commission to appoint its own delegates for the Paris Organisation for European Economic Co-operation, a Government communiqué announced today.

Hitherto, Germany was represented in Paris by delegates appointed by the Military Government, assisted by German experts.

The change-over was fore-shadowed in the Washington decisions of the Western Foreign Ministers of last April, together with the creation of the Allied High Commission and the Occupation Statute.—Reuter.

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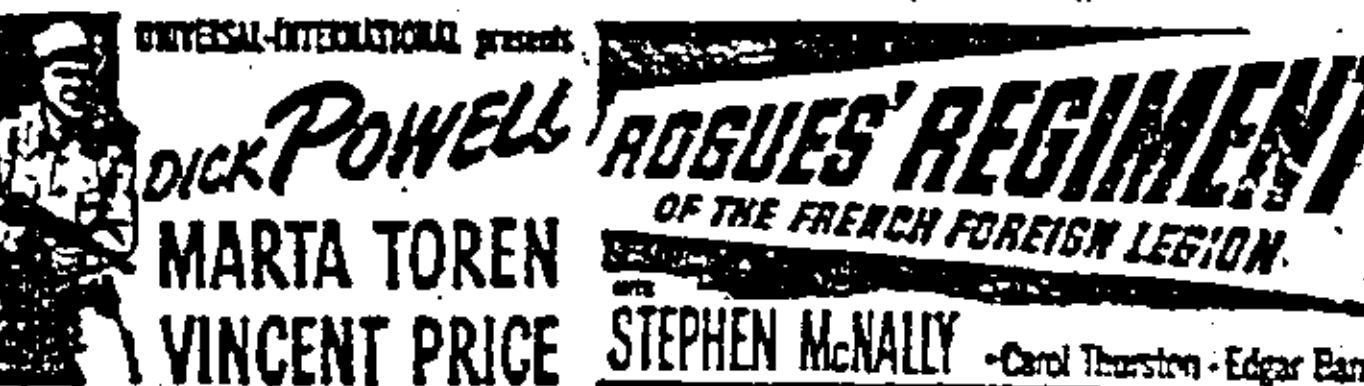


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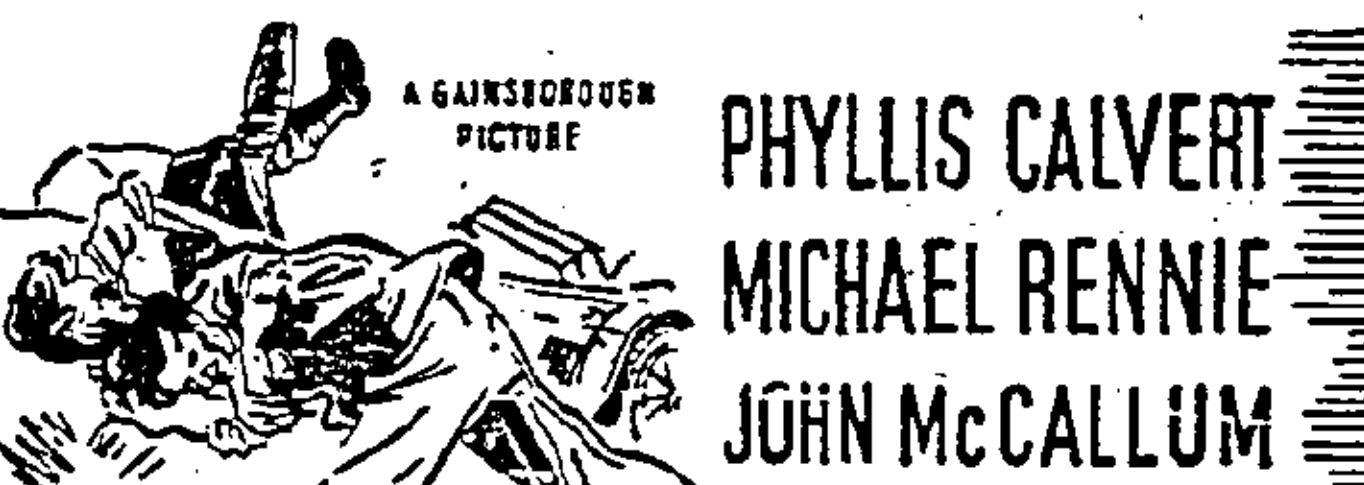
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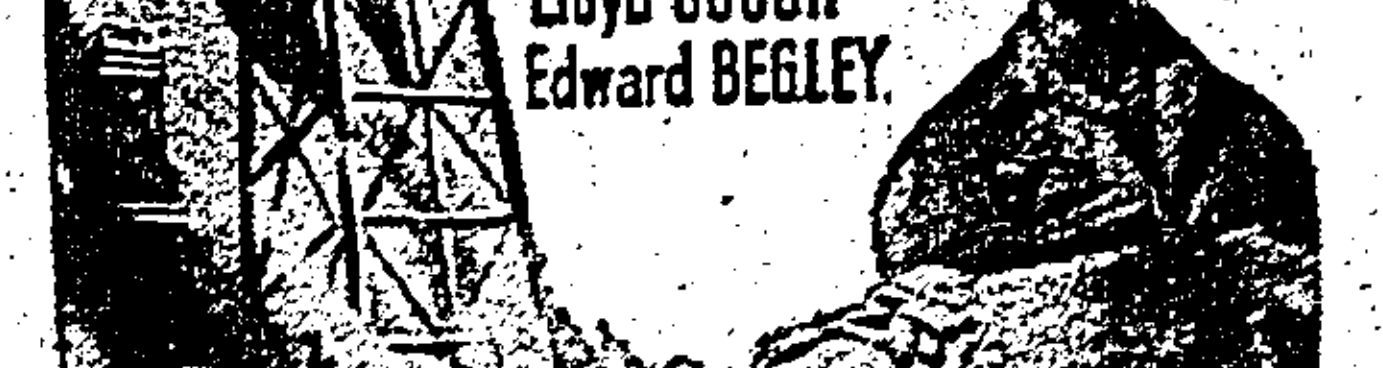
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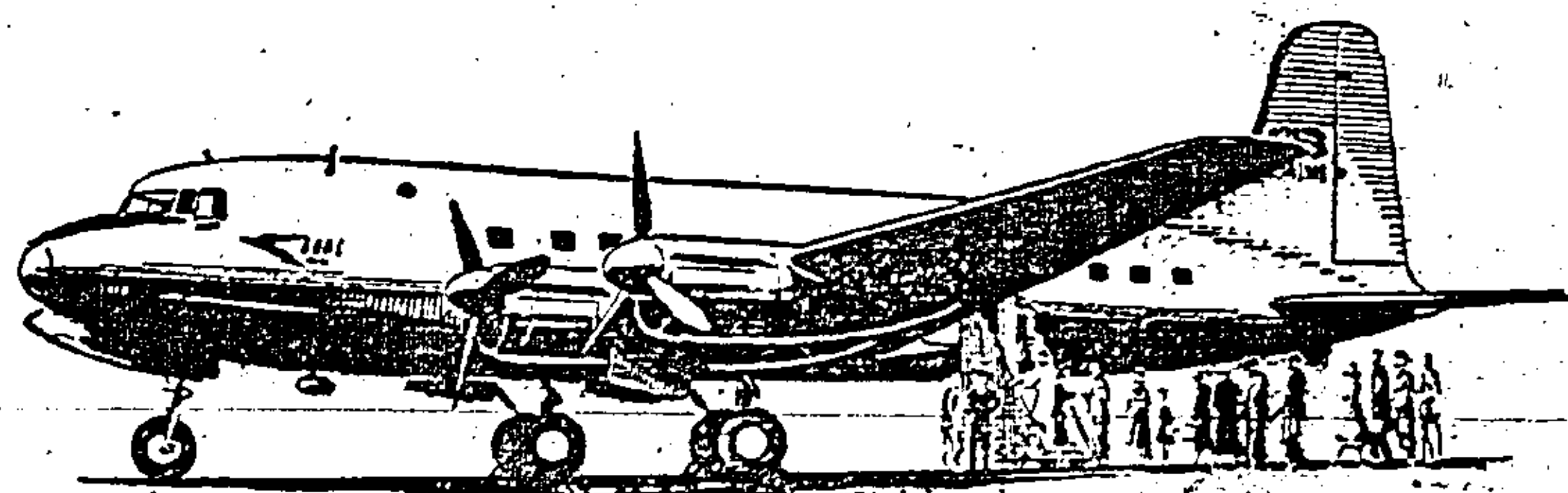


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RUSSIAN OFFER AND VETO IN DISCUSSION OF ATOMIC CONTROL

Lake Success, October 11.

Russia today offered to exchange figures with the West on the number of atom bombs in their respective stockpiles.

Russia then vetoed a United States proposal to separate the problem of atomic control from United Nations moves for reducing conventional armaments.

Jacob Malik (Soviet Russia) demanded that the "cards be put on the table for an honest game" when he repeated the Soviet insistence that any census of world arms should include a count of atomic weapons.

MacARTHUR STORY ALL NONSENSE

Washington, October 11.—The White House today branded as "100 per cent inaccurate" a report that the Joint Chiefs of Staff, with President Truman's approval, have asked General Douglas MacArthur to return home.

Reporters questioned the Press Secretary, Mr. Charles G. Ross, on a published story saying General MacArthur was requested to return next month for high-level conference in Washington.

"That is 100 per cent inaccurate," Mr. Ross said.

"Nothing of that sort has come before the President."

Mr. Ross referred reporters to the Joint Chiefs for any further details. The military establishment had already denied the story.

A press memorandum from the Defense Department said:

"Major General Floyd L. Parks, Chief of the Army Public Information, today denied published reports that General J. Lawton Collins, Army Chief of Staff, is carrying to General of the Army Douglas MacArthur a Presidential-approved request of the Joint Chiefs of Staff that General MacArthur return to the United States next month."

"General Parks reiterated that General Collins' purpose in touring the Far East Command is to make military inspections and hold conferences with field commanders."

In Tokyo, General Collins told a news conference that Russia's possession of atomic secrets has not "affected our planning or thinking" and the Chinese Communist successes have not affected "tactical considerations."—Associated Press.

GENERAL FRANCO'S OPINION

Washington, October 11.—Owen Brewster, Republican Senator of Maine, has quoted General Franco of Spain as expressing doubt that the Russians have achieved an atomic blast. He saw the General with other Congress members last Saturday. The Senator said the Spanish leader commented that 3,000 tons of dynamite could produce a blast equivalent to that of an atomic bomb.—Reuter.

He then vetoed the American proposal, which would have approved the action of the Conventional Armaments Commission in separating ordinary weapons from atomic arms for the purposes of disarmament discussion. It was Russia's 39th veto in the Council's four-year history.

Mr. Malik then abstained, with the Ukraine, on a vote to transmit the Commission's report to the General Assembly for information purposes only.

Sir Alexander Cadogan (Britain) took Mr. Malik to task for having postponed the arms discussion since last week. Sir Alexander accused the Russian delegate of "indulging in a long historical review based on selected facts and considerable distortion."

...and long travesties of a complicated history of events."

In demanding that the atomic bomb be included in the proposed UN census of the world's armed might, Mr. Malik told the Security Council that Russia's position toward disarmament had "not changed." He insisted that the atomic bomb excluded under the original plan—should be included in the arms inventory proposed by France as the first step toward disarmament.

Thus in effect Russia offered to tell the United Nations how many atom bombs it has if the United States will do the same.

"Inseparable"

Mr. Malik said inclusion of atomic weapons in the arms count would "make possible agreement on the control of atomic energy." Russia previously had objected to the French plan, when it was approved several months ago by the Conventional Armaments Commission, subsidiary of the Security Council.

In concert with the Ukraine and Egypt, Russia had maintained that no purpose would be served by an inventory of all "conventional" armaments and failure to take a count of atomic weapons.

"The position of the Soviet Union is unchanged on this issue," declared Mr. Malik. "Atomic weapons must be included. Such a thing is good, for these two things are inseparable. This would make possible agreement on the control of atomic energy."

Mr. Malik then served notice that Russia would veto the arms census proposal unless the atomic bomb was included.

The Security Council and its commissions should ban the atomic bomb and reduce armaments," he said. "Only this can save the peace."

"Sad Precedent"

Russia has insisted upon twin treaties which would outlaw and destroy the world's stockpiles of atomic weapons simultaneously with the establishment of an international control agency.

The United States and Britain have argued that control should be achieved in stages, with the destruction of weapons left until the control agency is effectively established—a process which they believe would require several years.

Mr. Malik also said: "The United States and the United Kingdom are not far from the sad precedent of the League of Nations, which hid behind the formula 'security first' and then disarmament." This kept the League from a firm decision and made it possible for the Nazis to

rearm and bring the world to the brink of catastrophe."

He also referred to the old Soviet accusations that the United States had violated the Potsdam agreement and was deliberately delaying the signing of peace treaties with Germany and Japan.

The United States position on reduction of armaments and banking of atomic bombs is tantamount to putting up imaginary conditions which sabotage practical measures on disarmament and control of atomic arms."

"Useless Talk"

He added that while the Western powers engaged in useless talk about restoring international confidence, "their ruling circles are preparing for war accompanied by an increase in all kinds of armaments and heavier military budgets which burden the masses."

"It is enough to say that the United States military budget was not decreased after the war and that its indirect expenses represent 50 per cent of the American budget. The United States' armed forces have increased 25 per cent in the last two years. In view of this we cannot be serious about the United States' declaration on international confidence. Their action increases world anxiety. Reduction of arms and control of atomic energy would increase confidence."

Dr. Jose Arce (Argentina) protested against Mr. Malik's charges that the "germane majority" of members of the Conventional Armaments Commission followed the U.S. and U.K. lead in what Mr. Malik described as "making impossible reaching of a solution acceptable to all peace-loving nations."

Dr. Arce said there never had been a question of severity.

"We merely tried to bridge differences between different viewpoints, but we failed," he said. "Nobody more than I laments the fact that certain provisions of the United Nations Charter could not be implemented."—United Press.

DUKE TO BE JIMMY THE ONE

London, October 11.—The Duke of Edinburgh, husband of Princess Elizabeth, will become "Jimmy the One"—the naval slang for First Lieutenant—in the British destroyer Chequers next week.

The Duke will fly on Saturday to Malta in an aircraft of the King's Flight to take up his active duties in the vessel under the command of his uncle, Earl Mountbatten, Flag Officer Commanding, the First British Cruiser Squadron, now in the Mediterranean.

A year ago, the Duke was placed on the Royal Navy half-pay list at his own request to be with Princess Elizabeth during the months the King was to visit Australia.

The Princess and the Duke were called upon to fulfil many public engagements during the King's tour which prevented the Royal tour to Australia.—Reuter.

Attlee Visits Air Force



Britain's Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, ducks to avoid hitting his head after inspecting a B-50 of the USAF Bombardment Group at RAF Station, Marham, Norfolk. Standing at right holding Mr. Attlee's hat is Major General Leon Johnson, Commanding General of the 3rd Air Division, USAF.—(Associated Press Photo).

EASTERN GERMANY'S FIRST PRESIDENT

Berlin, October 11.

Wilhelm Pieck, 73-year-old Communist veteran and co-Chairman of the Socialist Unity Party, was unanimously elected first President of Eastern Germany tonight.

His election by members of both Houses of the recently proclaimed Eastern Parliament took place inside Goering's former Air Ministry in central Berlin.

Great crowds were gathered outside the building, now the headquarters of the Soviet Zone Economic Commission, to hear the result of an unexpected Soviet declaration of policy towards the new "Democratic Republic."

Hundreds of blue-shirted Communist-sponsored Free German Youth members were among the large number of people outside the building. Hundreds of police, many of them women, were on duty.

Herr Pieck's election followed a few hours after delegates from the five Soviet Zone provinces had elected a 69-year-old Christian Democrat, Dr. Reinhold Lohendanz, President of the Laenderkammer, or Upper House.

Otto Buchwitz, another Communist veteran of 70, was elected its Vice-President.

Delegates rose shouting approval and waving bunches of flowers when Otto Nuschke, Chairman of the Soviet Zone Christian Democratic Union, proposed Herr Pieck's nomination.

"Fighter For Peace"

"He is the fairest, most objective and worthiest politician and fighter for peace and unity," he declared.

A forest of hands went up when the Chairman asked the delegates to approve his nomination.

The entire tightly packed house, with the exception of Western press representatives, rose and clapped as Herr Pieck stood up in the front row smiling for the press photographers.

He then mounted the platform to be sworn in by the President of the Lower Chamber, Johannes Diekmann, who was in the Chair.

In addition to members of both Chambers, more than 150 pressmen and about the same number of the public were present.

The Soviet Ambassador and political adviser, V.S. Semenov, also attended.

"I swear that I will devote my strength to the welfare of the German people," Herr Pieck said. "I will protect the Constitution and the laws of the Republic, conscientiously fulfil my duty and show justice towards all."

Herr Diekmann earlier read to the joint meeting last night's statement by the Soviet Military Governor, General Vassily Schukov, announcing that the Russian Military Administration would be replaced by a Control Commission next Monday and that the new Parliament would take over the administration of the State.

After reading the statement, Herr Diekmann added, "It is with deep emotion that I express in the name of the people our profound thanks to the Soviet Government."

The whole House then rose and clapped for several minutes.

Pieck's Promise

The Lower House, acting by itself, then unanimously passed the law formally transferring the powers and functions of the Eastern Zone Economic Commission and other zonal bodies to the new Eastern Government.

Outside, the street had taken on a carnival appearance. For several hours already, marching columns, gay with flags and banners, had been converging on the Unter den Linden area from all parts of Eastern Berlin. They included farmers from the Eastern Zone, with farm-carts and tractors decorated with flowers.

In his Presidential address, Herr Pieck promised to do all in his power to promote peaceful reconstruction of Germany on democratic lines.

"Away with pessimism and obstinacy," he said.

"All true democrats must unite in the spirit of the National Front to re-create a new Germany."

"It is not important whether the two German Governments recognise each other. What is im-

portant is that they fight jointly for German unity."

Will Not Rest

Appealing to the West German Government to fight against the measures imposed by the Western Imperialists," he added: "The Government of the German Democratic Republic (Eastern Germany) will never recognise the split which runs through Germany, and will not rest until dismantling has stopped, the Ruhr and occupation statutes (drafted by the Western Allies) abolished and a unified Germany created."

Herr Pieck ended by asking the Deputies to give three cheers for the unity of German friendship with the Soviet Union and the freedom-loving nations and the close economic relations between East and West.

The Chairman then closed the session.

No far-reaching Russian proclamation of policy was made. General Chumov's announcement of last night was repeated.

Western observers and many Soviet Zone officials had predicted a Russian proclamation declaring a general amnesty, the handing over to the German nation of many industrial enterprises at present run as Soviet property and a settlement of reparations problems.

Pieck's Background

The only Soviet troops visible in the centre of the city tonight were a number of soldiers working army searchlights which were sweeping over the Unter den Linden, skillfully picking out banners and picturesque groups in the marching columns.

Wilhelm Pieck, Eastern Germany's new President, is the son of a carter and a washerman. Now white-haired and corpulent, he joined the Social Democratic Party when 19 and the German Communist Party at its founding in January, 1919.

Pieck escaped to Moscow when the Nazis came into power in 1933, and during the war helped to organise the Free German Committee in Moscow and the anti-Nazi German Officers' Association.

The French-licensed Berlin newspaper, "Kurier" today christened the new Eastern German State "Pieckland." The American-licensed "Abend" described its President as "Wilhelm II."—Reuter.



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Garry Davis, leader of the World Citizen Movement, talks to a policeman in a Paris Court when he appeared on charges of violating regulations governing foreigners residing in France.—(Associated Press Photo).

SUB-COMMITTEE SET UP TO STUDY THE ITALIAN COLONIES

Lake Success, October 11.

The United Nations Political Committee today set up a 21-nation Sub-Committee to consider all proposals for the future of Italy's former African colonies.

The Political Committee also decided to suspend its own meetings and to await a report from the Sub-Committee by Saturday.

Mr. Hector McNeil, British Minister of States, urged speedy action by the Sub-Committee, pointing out that Britain had to keep order in the former Italian territories.

Demonstrations had already occurred in Mogadishu, Italian Somaliland, last week and Mr. McNeil warned the Committee: "There is a chance of further trouble."

He said that three and a half days were not too short a time in which to ask the Sub-Committee to come to a decision.

The suspension of the 50-member Political Committee's meeting was agreed after the Iraq delegate, Mr. Fadhil Jamali, had complained that small delegations would be unable to spare the manpower for simultaneous meetings of both bodies.

The decision means that discussion of the next item on the Committee's agenda, the Soviet Union's proposal for a "Big Five" peace pact and condemnation of the United States and Britain as warmongers, will be delayed.

Members of the Italian Colonies Sub-Committee are Argentina, Poland, Australia, Brazil, Chile, China, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Egypt, Ethiopia, France, Guatemala, India, Iraq, Liberia, Mexico, Pakistan, South Africa, the Soviet Union, Britain and the United States.

Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, the Pakistan Foreign Minister, outlined to the Committee a resolution to be submitted to the Sub-Committee.

It followed to a very large extent the American proposal in respect of Libya.

That included independence for Libya in three years and the appointment of an Advisory Council consisting of the United States, Britain, France, Italy, Egypt and one representative each of the inhabitants of Cyrenaica and Tripolitania.

Sir Mohammed said that the Pakistan proposal differed on these points.

Libyan Unity

1.—It stressed not only the independence but the unity of Libya as an objective; and

2.—It suggested the addition of Pakistan to the countries on the Advisory Council, and that the number of representatives of the local population should be increased from two by three by the addition of a representative from the Fezzan.

The duties of the Advisory Council, under the Pakistan proposal, would include advising the occupying powers or the Administration of the territories towards independence and the formation of governmental institutions.

The Pakistan plan would also limit the provision in the United States proposal that the seat of the Advisory Council should be outside Libya.

Pakistan proposed that Eritrea should become independent in three years.

For Italian Somaliland, Pakistan proposed an international United Nations trusteeship for 10 years. The territory would be administered by an Administrator to be appointed by and responsible to the Trusteeship Council.

The proposal also called for the establishment of Commissions to fix the international boundaries of each territory.—Reuter

NEHRU GREETED BY PRESIDENT TRUMAN

Washington, October 11.

The Prime Minister of India, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, arrived here today on a three-week visit to the United States as a guest of President Truman.

He was accompanied on the President's plane, "The Independence", by his daughter, Mrs. Indira Gandhi, Sir Gidja Shankar Bajpai, Secretary General of the External Affairs Department of the Government of India, and Sir Chintaman Desamukh, Chairman of the International Monetary Fund and the Indian Government's economic affairs adviser in America and Europe.

President Truman and members of his Cabinet and a reception committee were waiting for Mr. Nehru when "The Independence" landed at the national airport.

A salute of 19 guns was given when Mr. Nehru stepped down from his plane.

President Truman greeted Mr. Nehru cordially and presented members of the Cabinet and the reception committee.

President Truman, welcoming Mr. Nehru to the United States, said: "Mr. Prime Minister, I am very happy to welcome you to this country on behalf of the Government and people of the United States."

"I greet you not only as the chief Minister of your Government, but also as the loved and respected leader of a great nation of people."

"Destiny willed it that our country should have been discovered in the search for a new route to yours."

"I hope that your visit will be, in a sense, a discovery of America, a discovery of a great nation of people."

"I extend to you the hospitality and goodwill of the people of the United States with the hope that your visit among us will leave you with the firm conviction that we are indeed your warm friends."

President Truman's reference to "the search for a new route" to India was to the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus in 1492.

The 457th anniversary of Columbus's discovery of America is being celebrated here tomorrow.

Nehru's Reply
Mr. Nehru, replying to President Truman's address of welcome, said: "This moment, when for the first time, I am setting foot on the soil of this great country, is of great significance for me because it brings about the fulfilment of a long-kept desire."

"I bring to you, Mr. President, and to this great Republic the cordial greetings of my Government and my people, of the new Republic to be of India, and I trust that these two Republics of the Western world and the Eastern world will find many ways of working together with friendly and fruitful co-operation for our mutual advantage and the good of humanity."

The National Anthem of the United States and of India were played after which Mr. Nehru inspected the Guard of Honour presented by all branches of the Services.

Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, India's Ambassador, and other Indian officials were present at the airport to welcome Mr. Nehru.

The diplomatic representatives of the Commonwealth who greeted Mr. Nehru included Sir Oliver Franks, the British Ambassador, and Mr. M.A.H. Isfahani, the Ambassador of Pakistan.

Blair House
After Mr. Nehru shook hands with those present, the party left the airport for Blair House, official residence of the President.

Mr. Nehru will be the guest of President Truman and Mrs. Truman at Blair House for tonight. He will move to the Indian Embassy tomorrow.

MALAN ON REPUBLIC

Preterea, October 11.

Dr. D. F. Malan, South African Prime Minister, said again today that South Africa is free to declare itself a republic if it wishes to do so.

Speaking to a large Assembly of Boer veterans of the South African War on the 50th anniversary of President Kruger's ultimatum to Britain, he said it had been established at the recent Prime Ministers' conference in London that the Commonwealth is no superstate and that South Africa is a free and independent nation. His statement was greeted by cheers.

A nation, he said, must have a national soul, a will to be free.

Flats of the old Free State and Transvaal Republics were again hoisted at 5 p.m. local time, the hour when President Kruger's ultimatum expired on October 11, 1899. The ultimatum and the British Government's reply were read.—Associated Press.

On October 24, the Canadian External Affairs Department announced in Ottawa today.

Mr. Nehru will arrive in Ottawa on Sunday, October 23, for a two-day visit and will also pay an unofficial visit to Vancouver on November 2 and 3.

The Prime Minister will arrive in Vancouver by air on November 2 and will be met by members of the Indian community in British Columbia. He will be the guest that evening at a dinner given by the Mayor of Vancouver city.

He will return to the United States after lunch.—Reuter

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Empire Talks On The Far East

London, October 11.
Indications mounted today that the Commonwealth members and interested Atlantic powers intend to get together before the end of this year to grapple with mutual problems in the Far East.

It is understood that a series of conferences will start early in November seeking the closest co-operation between all nations having Far East interests which are threatened by Communism.—United Press.

Project To Aid World's Needy Jews

Colcutta, October 12.
Leaders of the American Joint Distribution Committee Welfare Agency aiding needy Jews throughout the world today described its participation in a \$15,000,000 fund for sick and aged refugees, announced here last night, as a historic departure in policy.

Details of the fund, which will cover a minimum period of 15 months, have still to be completed.

The Committee will pay half the amount and the rest will come from the Government of Israel and the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

The Israeli Government will provide land and buildings. It will build installations for Jewish immigrants covered by the agreement.

Mr. Moses A. Leavitt, AJDC Executive Vice-Chairman, and Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, Chairman of the Organisation of European Executive Council, said in a statement.

The accelerated pace of Jewish immigration to Israel has caused serious hardships to the thousands of newcomers arriving monthly in the Holy Land.

"Especially affected by the overcrowding in the immigration camps in Israel are the 'hard core' cases, the sick and aged."

"Aside from supporting special refugee groups in Israel, the Committee has not in recent years undertaken a broad welfare programme in the Holy Land of the type envisaged by the new agreement. AJDC regards this historic departure as a challenge and welcomes the new task."

The AJDC has allocated a monthly average of \$2,000,000 for the movement of approximately 250,000 immigrants to Israel since the creation of the Jewish State.

Announcement of the fund came as AJDC directors from 13 countries in Europe and North Africa, as well as Jewish welfare leaders from the United States and Canada, were meeting for their annual conference.—Reuter.

HE FOUND OUT

Vienna, October 11.
A small boy who put a 2-inch iron bolt on the railway line near Erlauf, in Lower Austria, "to find out what would happen," saw a freight train derailed, the engineer critically injured and thousands of pounds sterling damage done to the track and train.—Reuter.

Call To Fight Apartheid Made In S.A.

October 12.
The Natal Indian Congress today called on all South Africa's Indians to oppose "Apartheid" (racial segregation) in co-operation with African and coloured people and oppressed European sections.

The Congress meeting here, passed a resolution saying that the South African Government had shown by its actions that it was not governing in the interests of a vast majority of the inhabitants, particularly the non-European population.

The resolution claimed that Indians had already suffered numerous attacks at the hands of the Nationalist Government.

"The Asiatic Land Tenure Act has been stringently amended, drastically restricting the rights of occupation and ownership of land by Indians," the resolution declared.

"This land starvation has been further accentuated by a sinister expropriation policy of local councils of Indian-owned land."

"The Government has banned the importation of rice, the staple food of the Indian people," the resolution said. "It has withdrawn family allowances from the poorest sections of the Indian people and has carried out merciless deportation of Indians for the most trivial offences under the Indian Immigration Act."

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GENERAL ELECTION MAY BE FORCED ON THE LABOUR PARTY

London, October 11.

The freezing effect of general election speculation on British industry and commerce may force the Labour Government to go to the country next month, many political quarters here now consider.

Observers are citing the parallel of Sterling devaluation, which, they point out, became inevitable when the world made up its mind that the Pound was to be down-rated.

Mounting Conservative and Labour Left-wing pressure for a November election is unlikely to sway the Government.

But the Cabinet may find itself powerless to enforce the rigorous economic programme necessary if advantage is to be gained from the devalued Pound without a fresh mandate from the electors.

This is the crux of the problem of election timing—it is the only factor calculated to make the Prime Minister Mr. Clement Attlee, abandon his plan for an election in the spring.

Election fever is fast mounting to a climax today—the eve of the biggest annual conference in the Conservative Party's history. The Conservatives, said to be better prepared for an election than at any time in their history, expected on Friday to hear from their leader, Mr. Winston Churchill, a fresh challenge to the Government—"Let the country decide now."

The Conservative newspaper press today carried speculation to a new point by suggesting actual election dates—in two cases November 21; in another November 24.

Likely Date

November 21, the date ascribed to Lord Woolton, the Conservative "Chief of Staff," is doubted by Labour supporters if only on the score that the Government is unlikely to allow the Opposition to fix its timing.

But among independent observers a date later in that week is thought likely—if the election is to be next month.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, arrives here tomorrow from America, and an immediate talk on election timing is expected. The subject, it is assumed, will also receive some discussion from the Cabinet on Thursday.

Many quarters believe that the Government is unlikely to allow the Conservative conference—which will be climaxed by a Churchill rallying speech—to steal any political thunder as the result of a pre-emptive announcement of Labour intentions.

Many Government supporters think that Labour should go to the country while it still has its "ace card"—full employment. They think that its unbroken record in this direction, plus the popularity of the social services, would

secure the return of the Government though with a much reduced majority.

In a curtain raiser to the Conservative Party's annual conference, Lord Woolton, chairman, told a Conservative meeting on problems of local government today:

"The testing time is very near... I cannot tell you when the election is going to take place, I can only say 'be prepared'."

"This will be no ordinary election. This is a grave time for Britain. Issues which will stretch for years into the future will be settled at this election."

Mr. Attlee must call an election sometime before Labour's five-year term expires next July. Some Government Ministers are reported to favour waiting.

But the decision rests with Mr. Attlee alone and a source close to him said today he still has not made up his mind. Some right-wing newspapers, however, have said that November 21 or 24 are likely dates.

Bevan Hint

Conservative and Labour members of Parliament are using a Parliamentary adjournment to tour their constituencies. The newspapers are packed with political stories.

The Conservatives have warned the left wing Socialists, in a speech bitterly critical of the Conservatives, said the balloting would be in a "very short time." He is one of the Ministers pushing for an election soon.

Demands for an election call now have come from many sections of the Opposition press.

There is little chance that Mr. Attlee will give any hint this week on his plans. To do so would be to tip off Mr. Winston Churchill's Conservatives.

The Deputy Premier, Mr. Herbert Morrison, Labour's chief political strategist, in a speech today said Labour is winning in its continuing conflict with the Conservatives.

Churchill To Speak Tomorrow

London, October 11. Conservatives, gripped by the prevailing general election mood, massed here tonight for the three-day national conference which they hope will inspire the Party to early victory at the polls.

The 4,500-delegate assembly, the biggest in the Party's history, will open tomorrow with a debate on an emergency resolution condemning the Labour Government on its handling of economic policy and the devaluation of the pound.

The climax will be on Friday, with a rallying speech by Mr. Winston Churchill, who is expected to exhort the Government to relinquish office at once and "let the country judge."

Conservatives, heartened by a steady increase in the Party's membership over the past four years, are described by their leaders as never having been better fitted to fight an election.—Reuter.

U.S. PLANS COUNTER-ATTACKS

Rome, October 11.

The U.S. Ambassador to Britain, Mr. Lewis W. Douglas, said today that a London meeting of American diplomats from Eastern Europe will plan co-ordinated counter-attacks against Communist propaganda.

Mr. Douglas, in Rome on holiday, told a reporter that the meeting, set for October 24-25, promises to be of utmost importance and will be followed by other such conferences.

The Ambassador said that the meeting should provide "first-hand exchange of views among our diplomatic missions behind the Iron Curtain."

It also will co-ordinate the efforts of U.S. diplomats in both Eastern and Western Europe in combating anti-American propaganda, he declared.

Mr. Douglas did not indicate what specific problems might be discussed in the meeting, which will bring together for the first time the chiefs of U.S. diplomatic missions in Russia, Yugoslavia and five other Eastern European countries.

London was chosen as site of the meeting because of its central location. Mr. Douglas declared that the Ambassadors from Moscow, Warsaw, Prague and Belgrade will attend, together with the U.S. Ministers in Budapest, Bucharest and Sofia.—Associated Press.

Resignation Of Chinese Consuls In Britain

London, October 11.

Two Chinese diplomats in Britain have resigned, the Embassy disclosed today. The announcement came 25 hours after the Chinese Embassy staff in Paris had transferred its allegiance from the Chinese Nationalists to the Chinese Communist regime.

A spokesman for the London Embassy refused to say why the diplomats here had resigned. He was asked by a reporter whether he had resigned for political reasons. He replied: "No comment."

The Chinese Embassy spokesman said the two vice-consuls resigned "a few weeks ago." The same spokesman said emphatically today that no members of the Chinese Diplomatic Mission in this country had resigned lately.

Paris Embassy

Mr. Tuan Mao-lan, Charge d'Affaires at the Chinese Embassy in Paris, today refused an offer of police protection following yesterday's decision by some of the Embassy staff to give their allegiance to the new Chinese Communist Government.

A French police inspector sent to the Embassy to investigate the situation found the dissident faction, led by Mr. Lin Chi-han, the Ministerial Counsellor, and Mr. George Wong, Attaché, still occupying their fourth floor offices. Next door to them, the Charge d'Affaires was reorganising the Embassy. He has asked for more staff to be sent from London to replace those already dismissed by the Canton Government.

Mr. Tuan Mao-lan said that he had been sent from London to take charge of the Embassy here following reports of "leftist tendencies" among certain members of the staff.

Not Reds

He denied reports that the entire staff had gone over to the Chinese Communist Government, and said: "Three of the staff have expressed their loyalty to me. Since my arrival I have talked with each member of the staff. Four of them have already been dismissed. No date is fixed for their departure but they will have to get on."

Mr. Lin Chi-han, former Ministerial Counsellor, said on behalf of those who had expressed their support for the Chinese Communist Government: "We have no personal differences with the Charge d'Affaires. We have no intention of hindering the new envoy in the discharge of his duties on behalf of the National Government."

Beaverbrook Proposal Condemned

London, October 11.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Conservative Party leader, today condemned a proposal to promise British workers a national minimum wage of £6 a week put forward by Lord Beaverbrook.

Lord Beaverbrook, the Conservative "rebel," published the proposal yesterday in a 10-point policy statement splashed on the front page of his 4,000,000-reader "Daily Express."

Coming on the eve of the Conservative Party's pre-general election annual conference, political observers believed that the Beaverbrook policy would embarrass orthodox Conservatives.

Addressing a Conservative Party conference on local government today, Mr. Churchill said: "Lord Beaverbrook's opinions must not be taken as representing the considered policy of the Conservative Party. It is certainly not our intention to try to win votes by wholesale promises of higher wages at the present grave time."—Reuter.

Wellington, October 11. New Zealand's butter ration is to be increased from six to eight ounces a week from October 24, it was announced tonight by the Minister of Commerce, Mr. Arnold Nordmeyer.—Reuter.

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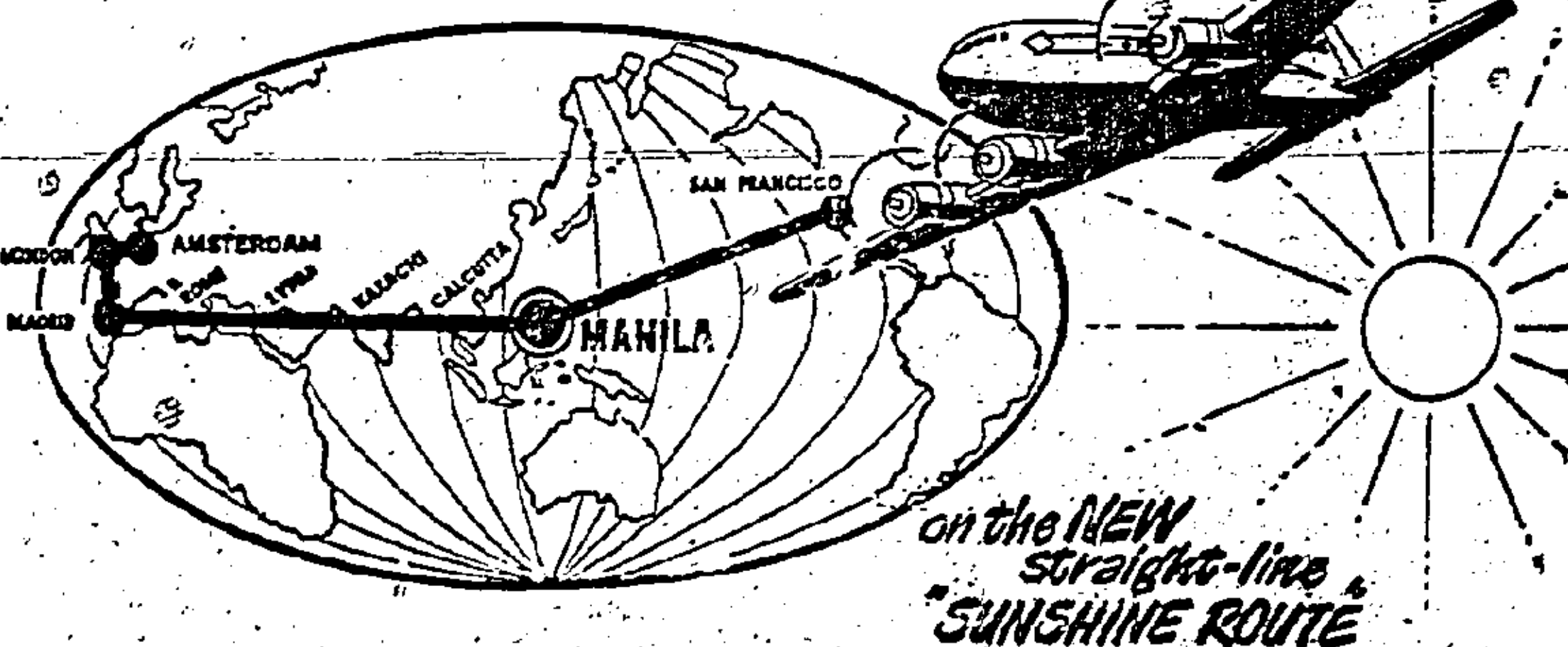
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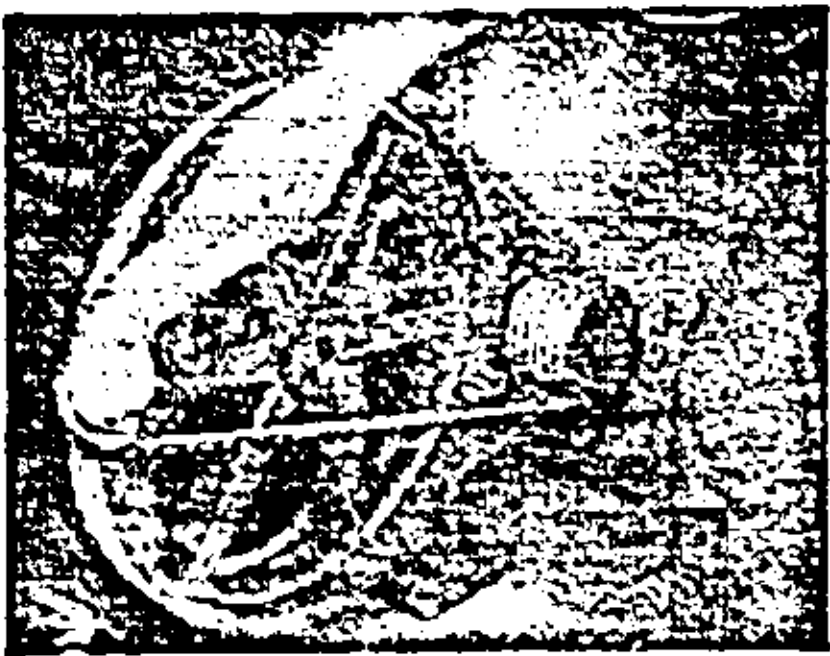
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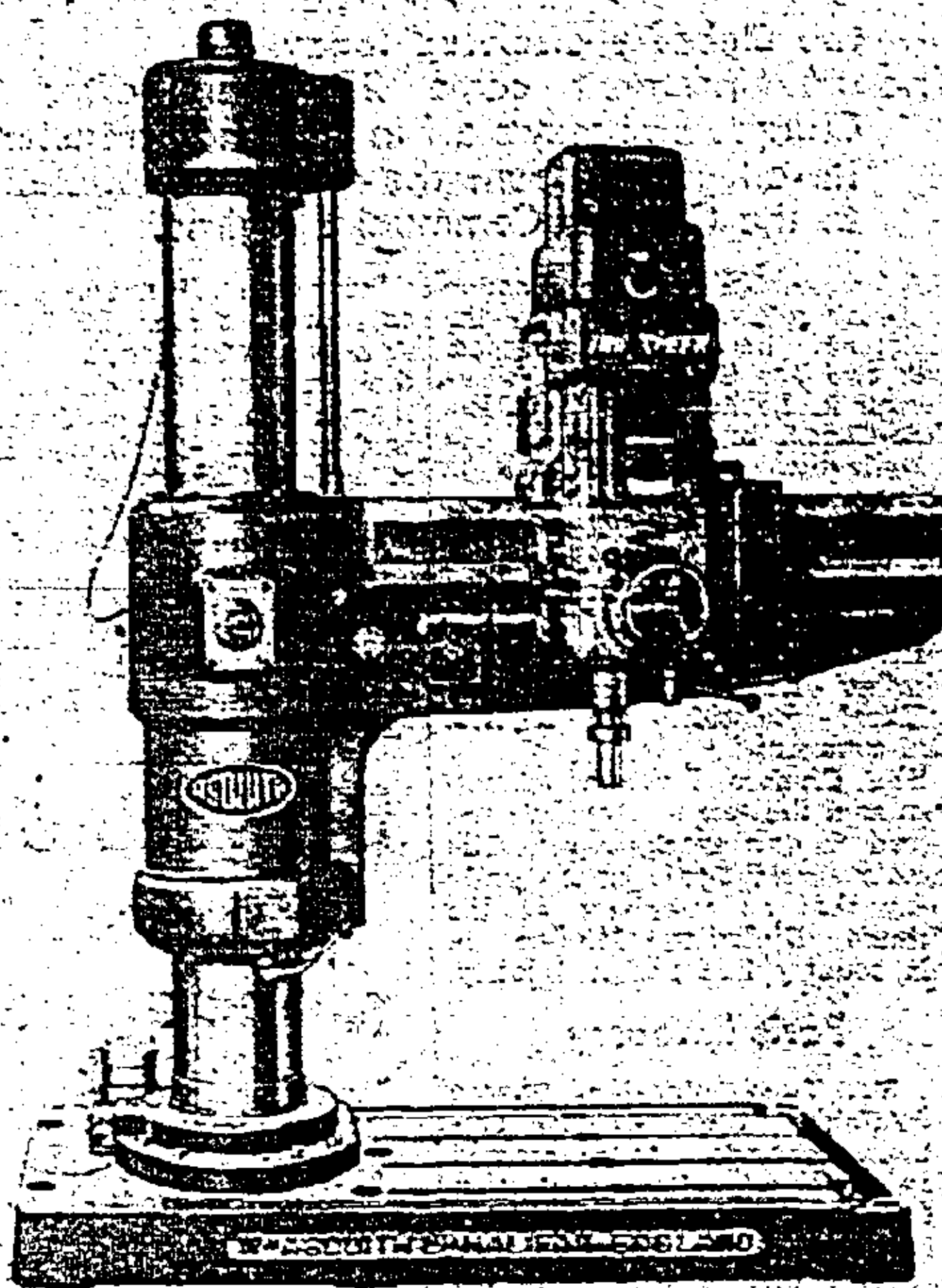
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This Radial drilling machine by Wm. Asquith Ltd. has a 3 h.p. motor on the drill head which provides an infinitely range of speeds to the drill spindle between 70 and 3,500 r.p.m. Such a machine at this will drill holes in diameter up to 3 ins. from the solid in cast iron.

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To The Brabazon

Some two-thirds of all the electrical wiring in the Bristol Brabazon aircraft, which made its first flight on September 4 is carried out with Pirelli-General Civil Aircraft Cables.

A very large quantity of cabling is involved on account of the many items of test and recording equipment installed in this 130-ton machine for amassing data during flight.

The cables are insulated with rubber or PVC, and have a glass-braided outer covering which effects a considerable saving in weight compared with the use of cotton. More than thousand miles of these cables have been supplied to aircraft manufacturers in Great Britain and overseas since their introduction in 1946.

A safeguard to the handling of the Brabazon in the air is provided by the use of GEC of England Heavy Alloy balance weights in the alleron system, the effect of their inertia being to prevent inadvertent movements of the controls that might endanger the aircraft. Each weight weighs 7½ lb. but measures only 6 in. x 2 in. x 1 in., and the six together provide a total of 45 lb. in a remarkably small space.

Continuous
Machine For
Lead-Sheathing

For many years the lead sheaths of the underground cables have been produced on intermittently operating presses which have many drawbacks. Exact uniformity in the thickness of the sheaths is difficult to obtain.

When the press is stopped for refilling, a ridge is formed on the sheath and the metal at such places loses durability, owing to its prolonged exposure to heat. A new machine, manufactured by Pirelli-General Cable Works, Ltd., Southampton, Hampshire, England, overcomes the disadvantages of intermittent presses by a continuous production of lead sheath by extrusion.

The machine consists of a cylindrical barrel provided with a number of channels and a steel screw in the middle of the barrel into which molten lead is introduced and maintained at the correct temperature by heaters.

Coolers are used to render the molten lead plastic before it is compressed into a homogeneous mass in the die chamber where the die used is selected to give a predetermined diameter and wall thickness to the sheathing.

The machine is supplied with molten lead from a vertical melting pot maintained at a constant temperature of between 350-375 degrees Centigrade. Temperature recorders, thermostats, and the various electrical measuring instruments are carried on a panel near the machine.

The new machine is very easy to operate, since once the extrusion barrel has been filled, it need not be emptied again unless a change to a different alloy is to be made.

In fact, during a test more than 12 miles of cable have been sheathed in one operation. The procedure is to energise the heating coils so that the temperature of the barrel is raised to 360 degrees Centigrade at the extrusion end.

The cable to be sheathed is fed manually into the machine through the die. After sheathing the cable is drawn on a drum which is rotated by a small electric motor. The speed at which the sheath is formed can be controlled by changing the degree of cooling, and once this has been set to a suitable value the machine will continue to extrude the lead sheathing so long as it is supplied with molten lead.

Developments In
Standard Types
Of Machine ToolsBy **ROBERT HUTCHESON**

Standard types of machine tools are the backbone of any engineering establishment; even those engaged on large scale repetition work, for which special-purpose machines have been installed, find uses for all manner of standard machines.

While machine tool builders in Britain are makers of special-purpose machines, for which they have a high reputation, the United Kingdom today—as in the past—is looked upon as the leading country for standard machine tools of extreme reliability.

The world has long appreciated the high standard of Britain's machine tools, and India in particular has shown her confidence by her purchases of vast quantities for railway workshops and other engineering establishments throughout the country. Again, for many years young Indian engineers have received training in workshops in the British Isles where they have had every opportunity to work on and compare many makes of machine tools and thus form their own opinions. Thus India has always been very closely associated with Britain's machine tool industry.

In one of the main groups of standard machines we can include lathes (centre and capstan and turret), drilling machines, horizontal boring machines and vertical boring and turning mills—all machines concerned mainly with the machining of cylindrical surfaces, i.e. turning, boring and drilling. All British-built machines in this group have undergone development along the same general lines.

The individual motor drive, frequently with the motor built into the machine—in place of the old line shaft and countershaft drive, is practically universal and it presents the only solution to the driving of many modern machines requiring high horse power. For example, lathes of 10 to 16 inches are frequently fitted with 15 to 20 h.p. motors, and the transmission of such power to a large number of machines becomes impractical for line shafting.

High Cutting Speeds

High horse powers for many of these machine tools are due to the need for high rates of metal and they make possible the combined use of high cutting speeds and cemented carbide tools to give a high degree of productivity.

Thus we see, in lathes particularly, high spindle speeds with individual motor drive, and this holds good for centre lathes used in the tool room and general machine shop and in capstan and turret lathes.

Preloaded, precision, taper roller bearings have become popular for machine spindles, and in all but the smallest machines there is a gear drive to the main spindle with the high speed shafts mounted in ball or roller bearings. Speed changes are then effected through gearing.

In screwcutting lathes the old loose change wheels are practically obsolete and a gear box is used instead. Some 40 different pitches are given by the average gear box when driving a lead screw, and as use is made of the gear box for driving the feed shaft also, an equally large number of feeds for sliding and surfacing cuts is made available; this is a particularly valuable feature on a general purpose machine. The chasing or screwcutting dial has become standard equipment on the lathe, saddle and greatly facilitates the cutting of odd pitch threads.

High speeds, high horse powers and heavy cutting have called for very strong and rigid machines. Modern British machine tools combine strength and rigidity with a smooth "streamlined" appearance.

The electrical equipment fitted is particularly trouble-free. Safety devices are provided to isolate the machine from the electricity supply when access is made to any of the electrical gear; and another safety measure is the provision of interlocks that prevent the simultaneous engagement of two opposing motions of the machine parts.

Drilling Machines

In the case of drilling machines—and especially in the case of that most useful type, the radial drill—there has been a trend

towards wide speed ranges. In older machines where only six or eight changes of speed were provided, it was impossible in many instances to approximate closely to the correct cutting speed. In the general shop a drilling machine is expected to take any reasonable size of drill, and also to be used for tapping. This in itself calls for a very wide range of speeds and feeds, but the need for a wide speed range is intensified by alloys to manganese steels.

Considering the radial drilling machine specifically, the motor for the drill spindle is carried by the head that moves along the radial arm. In this way a compact, trouble-free and efficient drive is possible. As an instance, of the versatility of the modern radial we may mention one make of machine, capable of drilling holes up to 2 ins. diameter from the solid in mild steel, which is fitted with a 5 h.p. motor and has spindle speeds which are infinitely variable from 70 to 3,500 r.p.m. with feeds that are variable from 0.004 to 0.4 in. per revolution.

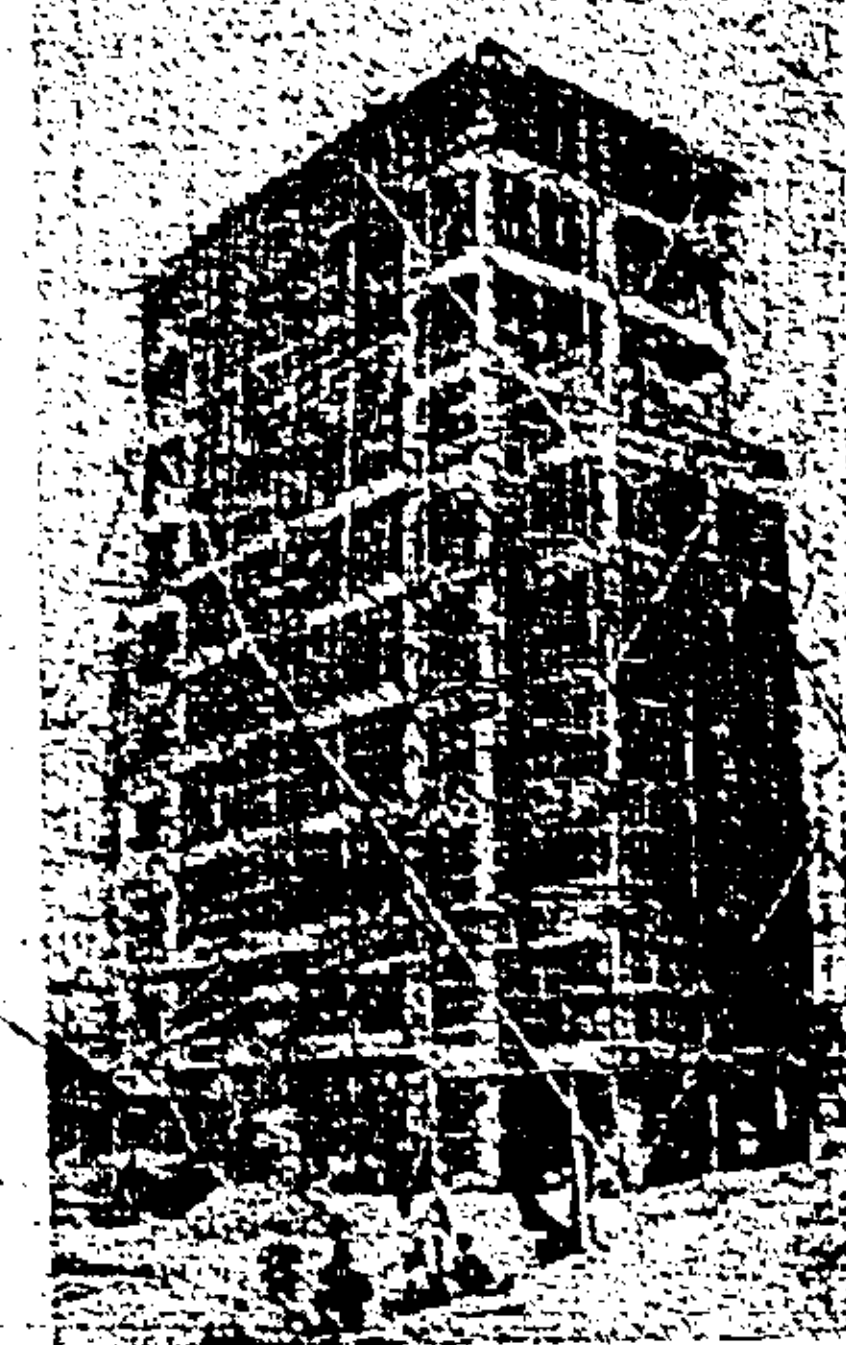
Design trends in horizontal boring and in vertical boring and turning mills are similar to those of the other machines in the group. Setting of the spindle head and tail bearing of horizontal borers is facilitated by the use of built-in linear scales—frequently with verniers.

In the case of vertical mills on which a considerable amount of facing of large diameter work is done there is a move towards electronic control of table speed in order that a constant cutting speed may be maintained; the table speed in revolutions per minute being varied according to the radial position of the tool during cutting.

In this group of machine tools the trend is towards more powerful machines which will give a high rate of metal removal; wider cutting speed ranges with more speeds within the range; long life and maintained accuracy; ease of control and greater use of electrical control gear coupled with individual motor drive. In keeping with these advances British machine tools are also well designed aesthetically.

In the second group of machine tools are planing, shaping, slotting and milling machines, the main function of which is the production of flat surfaces. Here increased speed ranges with more speeds in the range and a reduction of the time taken for return non-cutting movements are general.

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Mr. Winston Churchill leaves his house, accompanied by Mr. Lewis Douglas, US Ambassador in England. The former was on his way to the House of Commons, where Parliament had re-assembled to hear Sir Stafford Cripps' explanation of the devaluation of the pound. (Associated Press Photo).

RUSSIA HAS LATEST GUIDED MISSILES, AMERICA WARNED

Washington, October 11.

A U.S. Navy weapons expert told Congress today that Russia probably has guided missiles able to find and knock down bombers above 40,000 feet.

Captain J. H. Sides said that German rocket secrets fell into Russian hands after the war and that it would now be folly to gamble U. S. security on the atom bomb and big bombers alone.

Had the war lasted a year longer, Captain Sides said, attacking bombers would no longer have been able to fly over Germany without prohibitive losses. And he said that anyway he is not an atomic expert.

These Nazi anti-aircraft developments—designed to search out and destroy raiders travelling at 485 miles per hour at 65,000 feet—fell into Russian hands "lock, stock and barrel," Captain Sides said, testifying before the House of Representatives Armed Services Committee.

The committee is hearing Naval charges that defence chiefs are concentrating too heavily on what they claim to be the obsolete B-36 bomber. The Russians have had plenty of time to get anti-aircraft missiles into production, he testified, adding:

"Over four years have elapsed since then. It is foolhardy to us to think of an aggressor's anti-aircraft defences now in terms of 1945 equipment." Captain Sides, who is Deputy Assistant Chief of Naval Operations said that regardless of whether the Russians now have guided missiles in production, a revolutionary change in anti-aircraft defences is certainly not far distant.

He stated that even before some big bombers now on order can be delivered the United States will have guided missiles able to find and bring down bombers above 40,000 feet.

Would Be Folly

Captain Sides continued: "With anti-aircraft guided missiles approaching operational use it is folly for any country to stake its

DR. FIGL TRIES TO FORM A COALITION

Vienna, October 11.

The Austrian Government resigned today and the Chancellor, Dr. Leopold Figl, was instructed to form a new Cabinet.

Dr. Figl, whose Right Wing People's Party emerged as the country's strongest in Sunday's national elections, will confer with Socialist leaders later this week in efforts to form a Coalition Government.

Both the Socialists and the People's Party are pledged to continue the Coalition Government which has ruled this country for the past four years.

In a formal meeting following today's Cabinet session, Dr. Figl and the Socialist Vice-Chancellor, Herr Schnerl, told the Federal President, Dr. Karl Renner, of the decision to dissolve the Government.

Dr. Renner then instructed Dr. Figl to form a new government. Dr. Figl was also instructed to head an interim government until the new one takes office.

The formation of a new government may be more difficult than the Figl Party expected. There is no agreement yet with the Socialists on how the Cabinet seats shall be divided nor on the touchy question of whether the Pan-German League of Independents shall be invited to join in the Coalition.

Not Acceptable

The League, which showed surprising strength in winning 16 of Austria's 185 Parliamentary seats on Sunday, is not acceptable to the People's Party.

A People's Party spokesman said that the presence of the League in the Austrian Government might endanger the long-awaited Austrian state treaty.

The Socialists, on the other hand, are known to be insisting that the party, headed by Dr. Herbert Kraus, be brought into the Government. The Socialists apparently hope that, by supporting the League in this instance, they can expect help from the League in any case where the two major parties disagree.

Since the People's Party has 77 seats in the new Parliament and the Socialists 67, the League of Independents holds the balance of power.

So far as the Government is concerned the results of Sunday's elections in Austria will make no great difference, said the Liberal independent "Manchester Guardian" in an editorial today.

New Voters

"It was an election dominated by the new voters, 1,000,000 in all—half of them ex-Nazis who had previously been disqualified and the rest immigrants, returned prisoners, and new voters proper," the paper continued, and added that in Austria this was equivalent to an increase of the electorate by nearly one quarter.

The Socialists and Catholic People's Party, who are and will remain the pillars of the Government coalition, the "Guardian" commented, have so far and under the extraordinary conditions of an occupation worked reasonably well in partnership.

The Neo-Fascist "independents" group with 1/10 of the chamber's seats which has emerged, has apparently justified itself.

"Such a point is most difficult to judge for, although by allowing the Pan-Germans and the ex-Nazis this outlet the Austrian government has removed a possible cause of discontent, the Independent Group itself contains explosive material which, once the reasons for the present big party unity are gone, may make itself felt," the paper went on.

"One suspects that it is not only at Bonn that we are going to hear talk of an Anschluss," the "Guardian" concluded.

Vatican Opinion

"L'Osservatore Romano", commenting on the Austrian elections, said that the Socialists and Catholics united "to save their common ideals of liberty and Democracy against the opposition of the extreme Left one the one side and the extreme Right on the other."

"Communism," said the Vatican newspaper, "failed to monopolise even the opposition."

"L'Osservatore" said that the election was not one whose results the defeated could attribute to "obscurantism and religious reaction."

The Socialist vote, it said, "was conspicuous, a sign that it is not only Christian labourers, as is repeated everywhere, who, because of religious scruples, refuse to Communism the care of workers' just demands and of their popular aspirations in modern political life."

Internal Pressure

Internal and external causes, said "L'Osservatore", explain the election results.

"L'Osservatore" said, included "aggressive pressure not always only verbal, and intolerance in which violence was not lacking."

"Abroad, that is immediately around Austria's borders, there is intensification of totalitarianism in all Cominform regimes, including political and religious persecution, always sharper threats, purges, trials and sentences and the new popular Republic in Germany."

"Everything has contributed in singular crescendo to the orientation of public opinion which expressed itself on Sunday (in the Austrian election) with an open and indisputable verdict."—Associated Press.

NO MORE CLOCK CHANGING

Warsaw, October 11. The Polish Council of Ministers has decided to abolish summer time for the future, the Polish Press Agency reported today.

The Agency said that Poland will remain on Central European Time and no further clock changing will take place.—Associated Press.

Portuguese Immigrants Disappear

Capetown, October 11. Twenty-one Portuguese immigrants, who arrived here yesterday in the liner Nova Lisboa, bound for Portuguese East Africa, have disappeared from the ship.

The Nova Lisboa, which should have called this morning, is being held up while a search is made throughout Capetown for the men, who are labourers.—Reuter.

COMMIES LOSE OUT IN NORWAY

Oslo, October 11.

Norway's Communist Party is likely to lose all 11 of its seats in Parliament on the basis of general election figures pouring in from all over the country tonight.

The final results are not expected until late tonight. The Labour Party, with 76 seats in the last House, is likely to get 87 of the 150 seats in the new Parliament, but the Labour Prime Minister, M. Einar Gerhardsen, was still cautious at a press conference this afternoon.

"There is a clear tendency and there is the basis for a stable government," he said. The clear losers were the Communists, who had made attacks on the Atlantic Pact and Marshall Aid their election platform. M. Gerhardsen added:

"Their defeat may be regarded as a clear vote of confidence for the foreign policy of the Labour Government."

This was the first general election in Norway since the Constitution was amended in 1946 to lower the voting age from 23 to 21. Results counted by this afternoon covered 653 of the 744 constituencies.

The provisional distribution of seats calculated on these results was: Labour 87, Conservatives 21, Liberals 20, Agrarians 13, Christian Popular & Communists 17.

A close fight in the country district of Hedmark made it likely that the Communists would lose even this one seat.—Reuter.

BRITISH PLANNERS WARNED

Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, October 11.

L. Dudley Stamp, who directed Britain's land utilisation survey for almost 20 years, warned city and county planning boards today that the mistakes they make now may plague mankind for generations.

Speaking to the annual convention of the British Association of Scientists, Professor Stamp said the planners are in a constant state of battle.

"Housing schemes," he said, "conflict with food production and security (defence) needs conflict with amenity interests and much we are doing may well have to be undone if chaos is not to result."

"The planning of land use," Professor Stamp said, "must be viewed against a world background—a world population of 2,200 millions, increasing at a rate of 20 million a year; more rapidly than the application of science to production can augment the food supply and at a time when there are not more virgin lands available for easy conquest."

"In a country such as Britain, we stand in the supremely dangerous long-range position that long-range plans may be formulated and our population density marked out for many years to come without an adequate foundation of factual knowledge and scientific interpretation."

"This is well illustrated by the present chaotic state of 'rural planning,'"—United Press.

Broader Outlook In Ulster

Manchester, October 11.

Sir Basil Brooke, Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, told the Ulster Associations in the United Kingdom today that the people of Northern Ireland would never sever the 400 years' old links with England and the Empire.

He asserted that the representatives of Eire had displayed a narrow outlook at the meeting of the Council of Europe at Strasbourg in introducing the question of the partition of Ireland when the world was threatened by a supreme danger.

"We in Northern Ireland have a broader outlook, and I say without hesitation that just as during the war we did everything that could be done so now in a battle which is not nearly so romantic, and which is perhaps more indefinite in its object, we are playing our part."

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Washington, October 11. The Economic Cooperation Administration today granted Britain \$12,220,000 for the purchase of Canadian pork, which is expected to be delivered by the end of December.—Associated Press.

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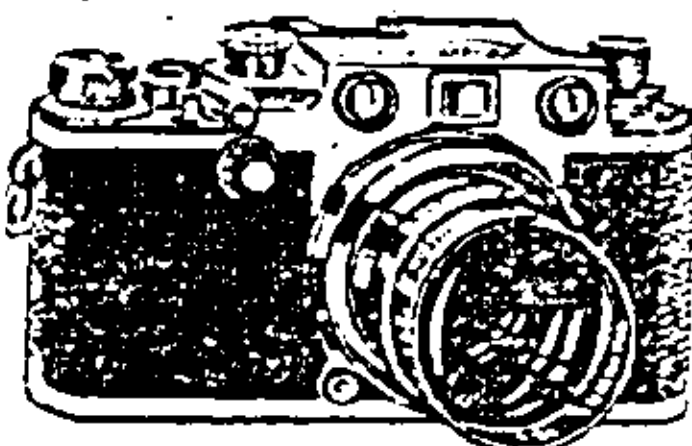
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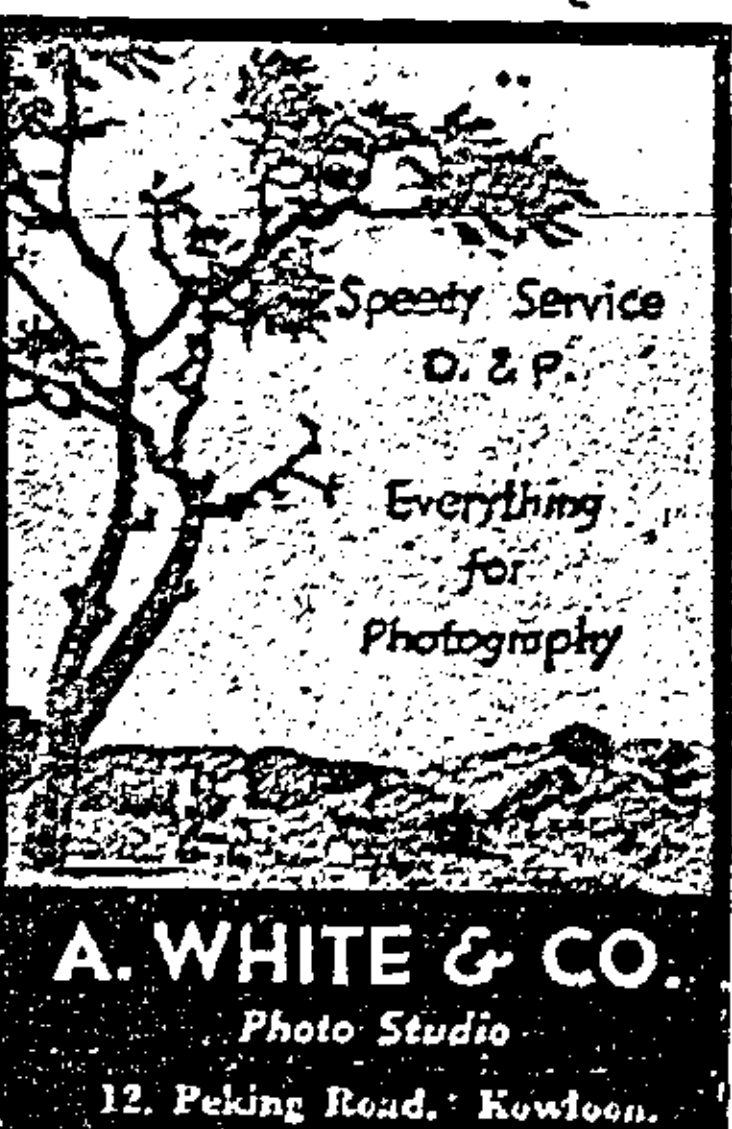
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**U.S. To Speed Up
Efforts To Boost
Atomic Resources**

Washington, October 12.

Russia's possession of atomic explosives is expected
to spur United States efforts to multiply its
limited atomic resources through two new
production processes known to be scientifi-
cally possible but not yet completed.

One, a nuclear process called "breeding" would
pyramid vastly the amount of bomb ex-
plosives that can be obtained from natural
uranium, that scarce and costly metal which
is the original source of all atomic energy
thus far tapped by man.

The other would add to ura-
nium as an energy source the
metal thorium which is three to
four times more plentiful in the
earth's crust than the better
known near-neighbour in the
atomic table.

Both, scientists say, could be
combined in a single revolution-
ary production pile or reactor. So
far the Atomic Energy Commis-
sion has treated thorium as a
laboratory curiosity which some
day may add to the world's
atomic resources but is not yet
exploitable because of unsolved
technical difficulties.

But it is driving hard to per-
fect the so-called breeder pile in
which splitting uranium atoms
would create usable power and at
the same time convert other
uranium atoms into explosives
used in the bombs. In such a
pile, some of the atoms to be
changed by nuclear transmutation
into bomb explosives theoretically
could be thorium. This is be-
cause thorium of atomic weight
232 can be changed under neu-
tron bombardment within this
pile to uranium 233, which like
uranium 235 is an atomic explo-
sive.

In a strictly uranium breeder
pile splitting atoms of explosive
use would emit neutrons which
in turn would change non-fission-
able U238 into explosive Plutonium
239. In natural uranium
there are 40 times more U238 than
U235. Breeder principle says it
should be possible to convert all
of U238 into plutonium.

Production piles at Hanford,
Washington, however, fall far
short of doing that. So the Com-
mission is designing two experi-
mental breeder piles. One will be
built at the great atomic reactor
station now being set up in the
University of Idaho, near Arco.
The other is being engineered by
the General Electric Corporation
at Schenectady, New York.

About \$2,500,000 will be spent
on the first breeder pile at Arco
and the Commission time table
now calls for getting it into
operation within 18 months. This
time table may be changed in
view of the fact that new sup-
plies of atomic explosives are
urgently desired because of Rus-
sia's unexpected speed in be-
coming an atomic nation.

If the United States succeeds
in perfecting pile production
means of utilization of all its
U238, most of which are at pre-
sent being stored as "waste," it
will at the same time automatic-
ally come into a great new poten-
tial supply of nuclear fuel and
bomb material, and if it succee-
ded in the transmutation of
thorium into explosive U233, it
will have a new atomic raw ma-
terial which can be supplied in
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The big issue is whether Rus-
sia or the United States achieves
these new production methods
first.—United Press.

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**General
Strike Of
Newspapers**

Karachi, October 11.
A token general strike in
all newspapers and news
agencies throughout Pakistan
was called today by the Sind
Union of Journalists as a
protest against "misbe-
haviour" by the General
Manager of the daily "Sind
Observer" of Karachi in a
dispute with a member of the
editorial staff of the
paper.

Besides journalists other
press workers, municipal em-
ployees, port trust workers
and news-vendors joined the
24-hour strike.—Associated
Press.

PRISON RIOTS

Madras, October 11.
A Communist prisoner was
killed and another seriously
wounded today when guards
sped fire on rioters at Cud-
dalore Central Prison, 100 miles
South of Madras, the Cuddalore
police reported.

The police said several prison
guards were injured by Commu-
nist demonstrators before the
"fire" order was given. They
added that prisoners in the
political goal started to march on
the superintendent's office and
refused to disperse when ordered
to do so. Guards swinging clubs
charged the demonstrators, who
fought back, injuring several
officials. The order to fire was
then given.—United Press.

**BRITISH DIPLOMATS:
A COMMUNIST VIEW**

Moscow, October 11.

Charges against British diplomats of "spying" in
Moscow and Eastern Europe are made in a
new book, "Behind the Scenes of British
Diplomacy."

The book is published in Moscow by Ralph Parker,
correspondent of the British Communist
newspaper, "Daily Worker," according to
today's issue of the Soviet newspaper
"Pravda."

"Pravda's" critic writes of the
book: "Under the guise of diplo-
mats the most experienced Brit-
ish secret service agents were
dispatched to the Soviet Union for
purposes of espionage."

"The special British Military
Mission in the USSR was headed
by the inveterate spy, Sir George
Hill, who had carried out spying
and 'black' activities in Soviet
Russia as far back as 1917 and
1918."

"Sir Archibald Clark Kerr,
former British Ambassador in
Moscow, actively participated in
all hostile demarches against the
Soviet Union engineered by the
American Embassy."

"Sir Maurice Peterson, who
succeeded Sir Archibald, bom-
barded the Foreign Office with
protests against the issue of visas
to Russians taking part in the
women's rally in the British tea-
chers' conference."

"Frank Roberts, former
Counsellor of the British Em-
bassy, whipped up war hysteria
in the diplomatic corps in
Moscow and was unceasing in

his frank and brazen arguments
as to the inevitability of a clash
with Russia."

Parker, writing on the staff
members of the British and
American diplomatic legations in
Moscow, says that they spend
their time nosing around collec-
tive farm markets and railway
stations, following near factories
and airfields and conversing with
Russians in parks to collect
material for reports and "thus win
promotion."

Meanwhile, Britain, in a note
published in London tonight, re-
jected the Soviet charges of viola-
tion of the Potsdam Agreement
and the decisions of the Paris
conference of the Foreign Minis-
ters, and made counter-charges
against the Soviet Union.

The British note was in reply
to a Soviet protest early this
month, made to the United States,
France and Britain against the
establishment of the German
Federal Republic.

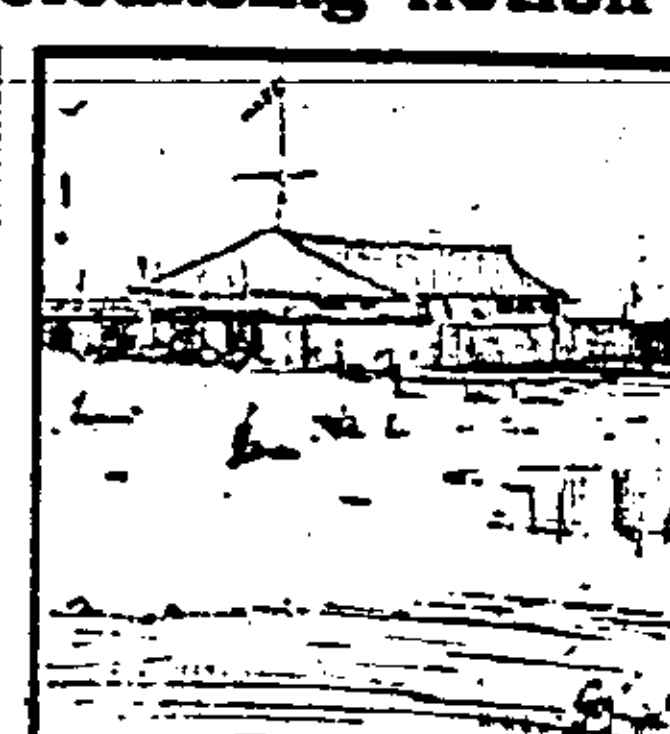
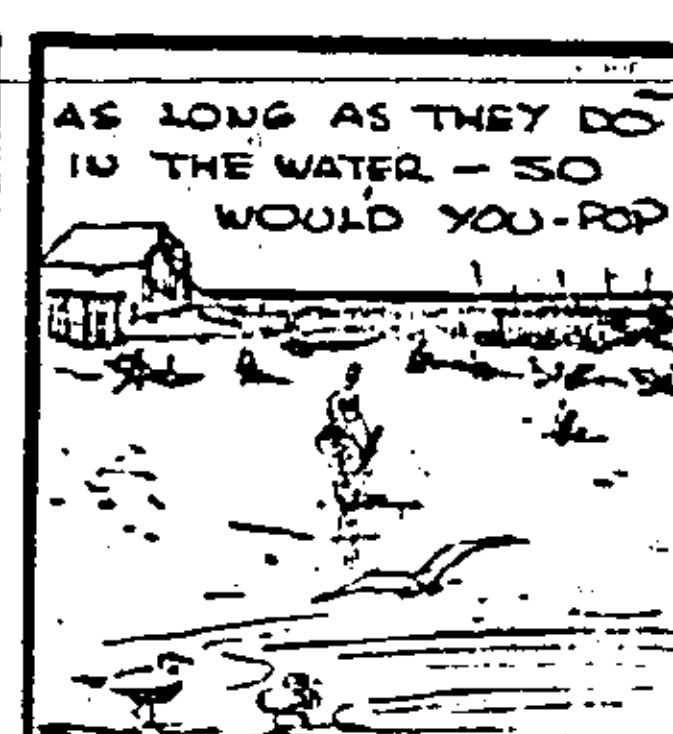
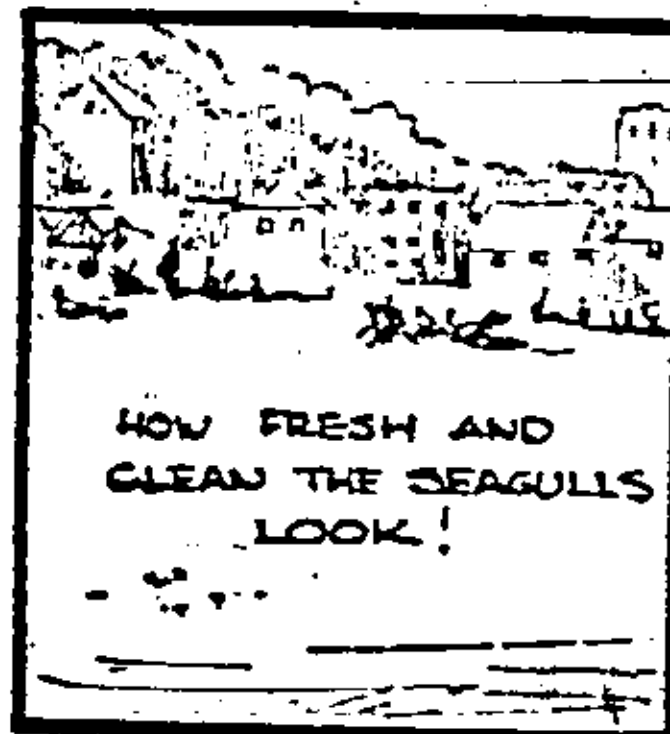
The note alleged that respon-
sibility for any divergencies be-
tween the occupation powers from the
Potsdam Agreement "must rest
with the Soviet Government,
which by its actions in the polit-
ical and economic fields, particu-
larly in the Soviet Zone of
occupation, has consistently re-
fused to treat Germany as a unit
as envisaged by the Potsdam
Agreement."

There was "no foundation for
the allegation that the estab-
lishment of a Federal Govern-
ment at Bonn constitutes a viola-
tion of the decision taken by
the Council of Foreign Minis-
ters in Paris," the note claim-
ed.

The note "rebutted once more"
the Soviet allegations that the
Western powers policy was to
split Germany. It charged the
Soviet policy with isolating the
Soviet Zone. This was "in accord
neither with four-power agree-
ments relating to Germany nor
with democratic principles, nor
with the wishes of the German
people" and was unacceptable in
Britain.—Reuter.

**WEIZMANN BACK
IN ISRAEL**

Tel Aviv, October 12.
Dr. Chaim Weizmann, the
Israeli President, returned here
today from Switzerland, where
he had been since mid-July for
health reasons. He was reported
to be better.—Reuter.

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Company officials said the union notification received at 11.40 a.m. on Tuesday gave no reason for the refusal.

The ship was due to sail for the Orient.

Company officials said the President Wilson was the only ship mentioned in the union notification. They had filed the usual request for a crew.

The Secretary-treasurer, Harry Lundberg, was not available for comment but it was learned that he simultaneously broke off negotiations for a new coast contract with the Pacific Maritime Association.

Both actions are believed to have resulted from a fight between AFL seamen and CIO cooks and stewards aboard the President Wilson in Honolulu last August—United Press.

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1.30—"The Orchestra of the Week"—N.H.C. Symphony Orchestra of New York Conducted by Arturo Toscanini.

2.00—Close Down.
6.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

6.02—"Children's Story: 'Winter Holiday'—by Arthur Ransome—Read by Captain Flint. (Studio).
6.30—"Grand Hotel"—Albert Sandier and His Palm Court Orchestra with Sylvia Cecil (Soprano) (BBCTS).
7.00—"On the Record"—Presented by Ronnie Gibbons. (Studio).
7.30—"La Demi-Heure Francaise. (Studio).
8.00—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay).
8.15—"Sports Talk"—Presented by Bill Phillips. (Studio).
8.30—"Take it from Here"—A Variety Programme with Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley, Jimmy Edwards, and the BBC Revue Orch. Conducted by Frank Cantelli. (BBCTS).
9.00—"From the Editorials". (London Relay).
9.10—Weather Report.
9.15—"The Will"—A Play by J. M. Barrie. (BBCTS).
9.40—A Piano Recital by Wong Kuk-sing. (Studio).
10.10—Harry Owens and His Royal Hawaiian.
10.30—"Thursday Serenade"—A Programme of Continuous Music Arranged by Betty Drews and the BBC Revue Orch. Conducted by Frank Cantelli. (BBCTS).
11.00—Radio News Reel. (London Relay).
11.15—Weather Report and Summary of News.
12.30—Close Down.

H.K.T.
A.M.
7.00—Up with the Sun.
7.15—Setting up Exercises.
7.30—Musical Clock.
7.45—"The Ransom Lighter Programme".
8.00—News and Weather Forecast.
8.15—Olympic Motors Programme—Charles Magnan and His Accordian Band.
8.30—Good Morning.
9.30—"Thursday's Music—Relay from Manila.
10.00—Morning Melody.
10.30—Console Keyboard—Relay from Manila.
11.00—Music for All—Relay from Manila.
P.M.
12.45—Song of the Islands—Music from Hawaii by the Paradise Islanders.
1.15—Tune Time—Hank d'Amico and His Orchestra with Solists.
1.30—Interval Sign.
1.35—"From the Films—Relay.
1.45—Light Variety—Relay.
1.50—Orchestra of the Week—Relay.
2.00—Variety Cells the Tune—Fountain of Light Classical Music.
4.15—Tropicans—Music of South America.
4.30—Vocally Yours—Song Sayings by Margaret Y. Hing, Franc Sinatra and Doris Day.
5.00—Music Makers—Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra.
5.15—Children's Corner—with Betty Britt.
5.30—Movie Time.
6.00—Music by Paul Weston—Music in Waltz Time.
6.15—Men Behind the Melody—Life Story of Modern Song-Writers.
6.30—Light Orchestra—Relay.
7.00—Listen to Liberty (Gilmans)—From the Radio City Music Hall, New York.
7.15—Smile Awhile (Ipsan).
7.30—"The Gantas Programme 'The Story of Flight'—Dramatization of the History of Aviation.
7.45—"The Super-Cola Programme—Sammy Kaye and the Kayettes.
8.00—BBC News.
8.15—"The Stars Sing (Nette's)—Featuring Evelyn Kaighi.
8.30—Take it from here—BBC Feature.
9.00—"Wings of Darkness"—Mystery Thriller.
9.30—"The Million Concert"—Mar Hollander Conducting the Strings Orchestra.
10.00—BBC News.
10.15—Local News.
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New York Stock Exchange

New York, October 11.

Industrial demand for railroad

stocks set off a rally today that

carried the market to another

new high for the year. Gains

reached more than three dollars.

Motors and oils joined the ad-

vance and other sections followed.

Altogether, 1,117 issues were

traded—the greatest number in

four months. 519 issues reached

new highs. One sank to a new

low. Transfers, 1,688,000.

Skelly Oil jumped 4-1/4 at 113-1/4.

Nickel Plate 3 at 83-1/4. North-

ern Pacific 1/2 at 18-1/4. Allied

Chemical 1 at 191. Phelps Dodge

1-1/2 at 48-1/4.

Jones averages: Stocks

\$6.98, 20 Industrials 166.74, 15

Rails 49.77, 10 Utilities 38.02.

Closing quotations:

Adams Express 21-1/4

Alaska Juneau 3-1/4

American Smelting 47

American Telephone 143-1/4

American Tobacco 73-1/4

American Waterworks 73-1/4

Anacosta Copper 28-1/4

Aviation Corp. 3-1/4

Baldwin Locomotive 10

Barnes 51-1/4

Boeing Aircraft 21

Borden Co. 45-1/4

Canadian Pacific 14

J. I. Case 39-1/4

Coca-Cola 41-1/4

Commercial Solvents 17-1/4

Corn Products 64-1/4

Du Pont 54-1/4

Eastman Kodak 43-1/4

General Electric 37-1/4

General Motors 65-1/4

Goodyear 39-1/4

Homestake Mining 46

International Harvester 27-1/4

International Tel. & Tel. 9-1/4

Johns Manville 42-1/4

Kennecott Copper 47-1/4

Montgomery Ward 52

National Distillers 21-1/4

National Lead 33

New York Central 107-1/4

Packard Motors 33-1/4

Pan American Airways 9

Pennsylvania RR 14-1/4

Radiant Corp. 12-1/4

Rea Sub 11-1/4

Bremington Ram 10-1/4

Republic Steel 21-1/4

Reynolds Tobacco 39-1/4

Schenley 29-1/4

Sears Roebuck 42-1/4

Shell Oil 39-1/4

Seely Vacuum 16-1/4

Southern Railway 44-1/4

Standard Brands 22-1/4

Standard Oil of Calif. 65

Standard Oil of N. J. 72-1/4

Studebaker 25-1/4

Union Bag 26-1/4

Union Carbide 40-1/4

US Rubber 32-1/4

US Steel 24-1/4

US Lines 15-1/4

Westinghouse 27-1/4

Youngstown Sheet & Tube 68-1/4

Gen. Pub. Utilities 15-1/4

—Associated Press.

NY RUBBER

New York, October 11.

Rubber closed 2 to 5 lower.

Sales 121 contracts.

December 16.09.

March 15.38.

May 15.44.

Ribbed smoked sheets, 16-1/4

nominal.—Associated Press.

Notice To Consignees

CONSIGNEES FOR

BARBER-WILHELMSEN

LINE

M.S. "TARIFA"

are hereby notified that their

cargo is being discharged into

the Hong Kong & Kowloon

Wharf & Godown Co's godown

where it will be at consignees

tanks and subject to the Wharf's

terms and conditions of storage,

and where delivery may be

obtained.

Damaged packages are to be

left in the godowns for ex-

amination by Consignees and

